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A CRITERION

For the Mind
Regarding Prices of
Holiday Goods,
And
Also to see that which
Is New,
Is Afforded
Those who Inspect
Our Stock.

Quick Moving
People
Require
Two or Three Hours
To See All
We Display.

THE ENTERPRISE,
Waukegan, Ills.

Antioch Time Table, Wisconsin Central Line.

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Lv. Chicago.	Arv. at Antioch.	Lv. Antioch.	Arv. at Chicago.
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Get your Job work done at the News office.

Antioch Home News.

> The poet soon will roar and sing,
> With all the music of his soul,
> Of any dear and precious thing:
> "It's worth its weight in coal."
> —*Ex.*

Some zero weather the past week.

Go to Georges for your holiday goods.

Garwoods & Kranz candy at Georges.

Two pounds fine candy for 25 cents at Georges.

T. C. Udell, of Genoa Junction, was here the fore part of the week.

Look at George's windows—finest display of candy boxes in Waukegan.

Be sure and take dinner or lunch at George's Cafe while in Waukegan.

Our thanks are due postmaster Simons for a nice mess of venison received one day this week.

All come early to the Opera House, Monday evening, January 2, 1893, so as to take in the grand march.

The Williams Bros. store has been profusely decorated for the holidays with evergreen, and presents a very pleasing appearance.

Our clubbing rates allow us to offer you the ANTIOCH NEWS and Chicago weekly *Inter Ocean* or *Journal* one year for $1.80.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Christian church, Saturday evening, December 24th. The public are invited to put presents on the tree.

There is talk among the members of the Masonic Order of holding meetings in this village in the near future. Heretofore the Order has held its meetings at Millburn.

C. O. Foltz & Co. have fitted up a very pretty Christmas tree in their show window, and in the evening when the dozens of wax tapers on it are lighted the effect is very pleasing.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Cannon, of Kenosha, visited Antioch friends last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cannon, of Benton, were visiting Antioch friends Wednesday.

Many new buildings are being erected around the lakes this winter and the coming summer will bring more people to this section than were ever here before during any one season.

Three sportsmen from Chicago spent Sunday hunting in this vicinity for rabbit. They finally succeeded in buying two, which they lugged triumphantly home to the city. Great is the city huntsman.

A years subscription to the NEWS for some absent friend would be an inexpensive present, yet a reminder for 52 weeks to your friends that though absent they still live in memory. Try it and see if your friends will not appreciate your thoughtfulness.

At the Methodist Church next Sunday there will be a Christmas service in the morning with an appropriate sermon by the pastor. In the evening at 6:30 the Epworth League will hold a Christmas Devotional Meeting. Regular evening services at 7:30. Subject, Christmas in Poetry and Song." The Sunday School hold their Christmas festival Monday evening. Everybody welcome.

The Chicago Evening Journal's Saturday issue is a paper of rare excellence in many respects. One of it's most entertaining features is a series of short copyrighted stories now in course of preparation. They are by the best known authors of America, and Great Britian, such writers as Geo. R. Sims, Mrs. Amelia E. Barr, John Habberton, Justin Mc Carthy and Henry Herman contributing. There is not a poor story in the series. The Evening Journal is a model newspaper for the family.

Miss Rae Doe, of Monon, Ind. is visiting her sister Mrs. J. M. Wood.

Elmer Cannon, of Union, Ills., is visiting his parents and other Antioch friends.

John Engmann has purchased from T. C. Udell a lot in the Chinn & Burke addition. Consideration, $185.

Our brother, Thomas Burke, who has been troubled for several months with a spinal disease is now quite low and fears are entertained for his recovery.

News reaches us of the illness of Miss Maude Judd at the home of her sister Mrs. Edd Cannon, of Kenosha. At latest accounts Miss Maude was somewhat better.

Mrs. G. Barnard will sell at public auction, on her premises south of this village, to-morrow (Friday), December 23, her stock, machinery and other farming utensils. Read her sale notice in another column.

We shall not ask our readers for a Christmas turkey, but if each one in arrears on subscription will kindly remit what is due us, we may be enabled to celebrate the day with becoming festivities.

The NEWS takes the present opportunity of wishing its correspondents, readers and advertisers a Merry Christmas, and trusts that each and all may be made happier and better by each recurring Christmas tide.

W. G. Rainey, an Attorney, from Lake Forest, has opened an office in the Masonic Temple, at Waukegan, Ill., and is prepared to attend to cases in the County or Circuit Court, or Courts of inferior jurisdiction. Also attends to all legal matters [illegible]

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by permission to Judge Gresham, Judge Blodgett or First National Bank, Waukegan. 52w

The Security Savings Bank, of Waukegan, Ill., receives deposits of $1.00 or more, pays 4 per cent. on deposits, money payable on demand. Loans money on Lake Co. farm lands at low rates, giving the borrower the privelege of making payments on principal in any amounts at any time. No commission or charges for making loans or examining abstracts. First mortgage loans for sale, netting investors 5 and 6 per cent.

Silver Lake, Wis.

Munroe Wicks has rented his farm.

Frank Wicks is shipping milk to the city.

Miss Katie Halm is working at Camp Lake.

The Foster boys took in Burlington Monday.

Frankie Swarts called in the village last Saturday.

Mr. Max Daniels and wife visited friends in Brighton Sunday.

Ward Silvernail has erected a new wind mill on his farm.

Some of the farmers have stopped shipping their milk to Chicago.

Mr. Bloodgood of Whitewater wields the birch in District No. 4.

Do not fail to attend the entertainment at Salem Friday evening.

Frank Grossmeyer of Burlington has been painting in the village.

Mat Luderwick, of Brighton, visited relatives at this place last week.

One of our village boys was spending his leisure time in Burlington last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smithson called on old time friends at this place last Saturday.

Misses M. Clark and Susie Hayward, of Salem, called on old time friends last Monday.

Where are you going Christmas?

John Estee visited at this place Friday.

There will be a Cantata given between the holidays in the church at Salem.

Miss Kruckman accompanied by her brother drove to the village last Sunday.

There will be a Christmas entertainment given in the church at Salem on Friday evening of this week. The old folks will give a tea before the entertainment. After the supper a long program will be recited. All are invited to go. We hope that a number of the Silver Lake folks will be present.

LAKE VILLA.

Have you seen the egg puzzle?

W. J. Darby was in Waukegan Friday.

Musical Convention at Millburn, Dec. 26—30.

We are all glad to see Mrs. John Palmer out again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bonner, of Millburn, were in town Saturday.

Do you know that Mrs. Boutwell is selling untrimmed hats at cost?

Our merchants have in a goodly supply of pretty Christmas goods.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Raught, of Volo, spent the first part of the week with friends here.

Mr. Hughes is very proud of his new storm doors, and we don't blame him very much. They are certainly unique.

It is quite a disappointment to the small children (and to some of [illegible]

FOR SALE:—A house and half acre of land

the larger ones) that we [illegible] have no Christmas tree this year.

Service Sunday at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday School, 12. Meeting of Epworth League, 6:45 P. M. Subject, "Christmas visit of the Shepherds," Matt. 11, 8—20. Leader, H. S. Sherwood. Prayer meeting Saturday at 7:30 P. M.

On Sunday, Dec. 11, occurred the dedication of the new church at this place. Dr. Traveller, of Chicago, preached in the morning. The afternoon service was postponed on account of the funeral of Andrew J. Sherwood. Dr. Jackson conducted the evening service. The debt of four hundred and fifty dollars was easily raised.

Andrew J. Sherwood died at Waukegan Friday, Dec. 9, 1892, after an illness of several weeks. He was well known and had many friends in Lake Villa. The burial took place in Lake Villa Cemetery Sunday, Dec. 1. Undertaker John Bower, of Waukegan, and the I. O. O. F. were in charge of the ceremonies.

It will be to your advantage to attend the Musical Convention at Millburn, beginning Monday evening, Dec. 26, and ending in a grand concert Friday evening, Dec. 30. Prof. S W. Straub, the great convention leader, of Chicago, will conduct the Institute. His name alone insures success. There will be three sessions daily. Tuition one dollar.

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Holiday Excursion Rates.

The Wisconsin Central lines will sell excursion tickets to all local stations within 200 miles at one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 24th, 25th, 26th and 31st, 1892, and January 1st and 2nd, 1893.

W. F. ZEIGLER, Agt.

Happy New Year's Ball.

The members of the Pleasure Club will give a grand ball at the Opera House, in this village, Friday evening, December 30, 1892. Tickets, including dance, supper and care of horses, $1.25. Everything will be in first-class order, and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

Winter Resorts of the South.

Jacksonville and Tampa, Fla., and other South Atlantic and Gulf Coast resorts can be reached with but one change of cars from Chicago and that at Louisville or Cincinnati, where the Monon makes close connection with the L. & N. and Q. & C. Vestibule trains, running through to Florida.

The Monon's day trains are now all equipped with beautiful new parlor and dining cars, while its night trains are made up of smoking cars, day coaches, and Pullman and compartment sleepers, lighted by electricity from headlight to hindermost sleeper.

The Monon has gradually fought its way to the front, making extensive improvements in its road-bed and service, until to-day it is the best equipped line from Chicago to the South, offering its patrons facilities and accomodations second to none in the world. [illegible] ever be-

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.... YOU WILL FIND THEM AT ....

134 North Genesee Street, Wauke[illegible]gan.

Selling Goods Strictly For Cash Enables Me [illegible]o Give You Rock Bottom Prices.

FINNEGAN, the Sho[illegible]itter.

A. P. AMES
—DEALER IN—
HARDWARE, TIN W[illegible]RE,
BARB WIRE AND BUILDER[illegible] S[illegible]PPLIES,
FARM MACHINERY, PLOWS, BU[illegible]G[illegible]S, CART[illegible]
WIND MILLS, HARNESS, P[illegible] ETC,
ANTIOCH, - ILL.

ANY THING NOT IN STOCK PROMP[illegible] ORDERED.

No trouble to show goods, I am here to sell and [illegible]sk is an opportunity to show my machinery and make prices. [illegible] and see me,

BOOTS and S[illegible]ES

Why wear ill shaped, miss-fit Shoes, when you can get Latest Styles and Perfect Fits at STO[illegible]NE'S for less money?

I [illegible] have the Larg[illegible] and most select line of

Diseases, [illegible] Torpid Liver, Ulc[illegible] Water Brash and every [illegible] that results from [illegible] of reproduction

Gents, Ladies and Childerns' Foot Wear,

In the County.

My sizes in Ladies' Shoes run from B to EE,

and can give you 40 styles to pick from.

I sell only goods that I can warrant.

If any should prove unsatisfactory I make them good.

All small repairs needed on Shoes purchased of me I will do Gratis.

I WANT YOUR TRADE,

And if styles and prices can secure it, I shall have it.

Ben Stone, **Antioch, Ill.**

"FILLS A LONG FELT WANT."
THE
MODEL CLOTHING HOUSE
WAUKEGAN, - ILL.

Is an assured success and the large amount of business we are doing leads us to think that our store fills a "Long felt want" in this community—a place where you are sure of buying Reliable Goods at the lowest possible price.

WE BUY OUR GOODS..........
..........AS LOW AS CASH CAN GET THEM

And are satisfied to sell them with small margin.

WE SHOW:

40 styles of Boys Suits from 95c to $8.00
30 styles Boys Overcoats from $1.78 to $8.00,
60 kinds of Mens Suits from $4.00 to $75.00,
50 kinds mens Overcoats from $4.00 to $30.00,
24 different qualities of Underwear,
Nearly every style of Hat and Cap from 42c. to $5.00 for men, boys, and children, now worn,

Together with everything else kept in a well regulated Clothing Store. We invite a comparison of our Goods and Prices.

THE MODEL CLOTHING HOUSE,
TEMPERANCE TEMPLE,
WAUKEGAN, - ILLINOIS.

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The Russian Minister of Finance announces that the duty on cotton imported into Russia has been raised to 20 kopecks per pood.

Alfred Baecker of Romscheid, in Rhenish Prussia, an Imperial Bank director, has been sentenced to three years' hard labor and embezzlement.

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The proprietors of the London Pick-Me-Up have been fined for violating the gaming act in carrying on the "missing word" competitions. An appeal was taken.

The body of Patrick MacAdury of Brooklyn, N. Y., was found in the hold of the Anchor line steamship Bolivia at Glasgow from New York, imbedded among the grain.

A man named Sheridan, now in the Lambeth work-house, has come into a fortune of $1,500,000 through the death of an aunt. She and her two sons went to America some years ago.

A dispatch from Cairo states that the British garrison in Egypt is about to be reduced owing to the effective condition of the army of the Khedive.

Cross Duckworth, 32 years old, has been sentenced to death for having murdered Alice Barnes, a farmer's daughter, near Blackburn, England, Nov. 18.

The city council of Dubuque, Iowa, has decided to buy the plant of the Dubuque Water company six months hence.

The Adjutant-General has confirmed the election of Frank Cook as Captain of Company B, Sixth Infantry, Geneseo, Ill.

Mrs. W. Slattery, a colored woman, is held in $2,000 bail at Springfield, Ill., for trial for perjury in an application for a pension.

Dr. Markell of Chippewa Falls, Wis., who has just been cleared of a charge of malpractice, has been arrested for jumping a board bill at Eau Claire.

The body of a woman found in the lake at Milwaukee was identified as that of Augusta Iolsdorff, formerly a cook at Capt. Pabst's home.

The number of deaths daily from typhoid fever at St. Louis continues to be large. Physicians advise against eating uncooked vegetables or unboiled milk.

The annual meeting of the Wisconsin and Michigan Car Service association was held at Milwaukee. The work of last year was reported satisfactory.

David Fleming, charged with the murder of a man named Sanders at Perth, Ind., a month ago, has been arrested in Ohio.

Marion Heepedgth, the Glendale train-robber, was arraigned at St. Charles, Mo., but the case was continued until March.

The Controller of the Currency has called for a report of the condition of National banks at the close of business Friday, Dec. 9.

Mrs. Henry L. Powell of Newcastle Ind., was found dead in the Logansport water-works race. It is believed she committed suicide.

Burglars secured $200 worth of good
Liter & Coon's and J. H. Liter's
res at Literberry, Ill.

D. W. Hobbs, a builder, and G. D.
right, a solicitor, have been arrested
London for forgery in connection
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oduced in the House a bill providing
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t. A. Chadwick of Liscomb, Iowa,
l his mother-in-law, Mrs. Jane Brad-
ck, were thrown from a wagon
s. Braddock was killed.

A riot occurred at Ghent, caused by
police trying to suppress a Social-
e demonstration outside the Catho-
club. Thirty persons were hurt.

LL LET SILVER REST AWHILE.

International Monetary Conference Takes a Vacation.

Brussels cable: After M. D.
nzi's motion had been proposed at
monetary conference, Senator Al-
n made a short speech in behalf of the United States delegation. He laid emphasis upon the fact that throughout the debate nobody had suggested that either of the money metals be discarded. During the adjournment he said the delegates would have time to study the Rothschild and other proposals that had been submitted. "Although the conference has been of brief duration," he continued "the discussions that have taken place have been of great value, and we think it wise to resume the deliberations after a recess. Any agreement at which the conference might arrive would probably require large concessions on our part. It is, therefore, natural that the Democratic administration, which is about to come into office in the United States, and upon which the responsibility for such action would fall, should have an opportunity to direct the course of the United States delegates. It would consequently be advantageous to the United States if the conference should adjourn long enough to enable the new government to consider what shall be done."

Mr. Bertram Currie of the British delegation objected to the reassembling of the conference on the ground that as three previous monetary conference had failed there was little prospect of the present one being a success.

AVENGED HIS HONOR.

A Philadelphian Assaults the Betrayer of His Home With an Ax.

Philadelphia, Pa., special: Henry A. Kreckman went to his home at an early hour Wednesday and discovered his wife, Laura, and Samuel Morris in a compromising position. Kreckman procured an ax and made a savage attack upon Morris. Thinking he had killed the invader of his home, Kreckman went to the station-house near by and surrendered himself to the police, saying that he had killed a man. Officers went to the house and found Mor-
ith two compound fractures of the
a terrible wound over each eye
but arm broken. He is still alive,
mer death is expected at an
and took the recreant wife into custody.

HIS HEAD SPLIT OPEN.

Brutal Murder of a German Farmer in Texas.

A special from San Antonio, Texas to the Galveston News says: News is just received of the terrible murder of Charlie Bogart, a German farmer residing in the Oak island community, fourteen miles south. His wife last night rushed frantically to a neighbor's, reporting her husband killed by a tramp.

Bogart's wife recently returned to him after several months' abandonment on her part, having left him to care for her 3-month-old infant. Bogart's head was split open with an ax and his body horribly mutilated.

SIMPLY TAKE A RECESS.

The International Monetary Conference Will Not Adjourn Sine Die.

It is considered probable that the International Monetary conference at Brussels will not adjourn without date, but will adjourn until some time next spring, or perhaps only for a few weeks. The Bimetallists from India and elsewhere are decidedly aroused over what they regard as the duplicity of the other side. It is claimed that Great Britain is using Germany and Austria to accomplish purposes that England does not dare to openly urge for fear of offending India as well as British bimetallic sentiment.

GATHERING ABOUT THE JAIL.

Mob Preparing to Lynch Irvin Roberts at Mountain City, Tenn.

News comes from Mountain City, Tenn., that a mob is forming around the jail at that place to capture and lynch Irvin Roberts, who a few days ago waylaid and brutally murdered from ambush Lanton Crosswhite, an old and respected citizen. Roberts was captured in Hancock County Friday and fears were entertained that he would be lynched if returned to his home.

Death of Senator Gibson.

After a lingering but apparently painless illness Senator R. L. Gibson of Louisiana died at Hot Springs, Ark., Friday. At the time of his death he was surrounded by the the members of his family and several close friends. He had been confined to his bed there since the 12th of November. In accordance with his wishes his remains will be buried in Lexington, Ky., by the side of his wife, who died some years ago.

The new electric street car line at Galesburg, Ill., has begun business.

TO OPEN IT BY FORCE.

NEW PHASE OF THE SUNDAY FAIR QUESTION.

An Injunction Applied for to Prohibit the Closing of the World's Fair on Sunday—Jackson Park, It Is Claimed, Is Public Property and Cannot be Closed.

Chicago dispatch: An organization of South Side citizens has applied to Judge Tuley for an injunction to restrain the World's Fair Commissioners from closing the gates of the Exposition on Sunday. The application for a writ was made Oct. 10 and was suppressed by consent of all parties interested. Now that the Exposition authorities have filed their demurrer an agreement has been made to have the interesting questions argued as soon as possible. Judge Tuley has set Jan 3 as the day for the hearing. Col. Robert Rae is leading counsel for the citizens and it is probable that he will be assisted by Gen. John C. Black and ex-Judge L. D. Thoman. The Exposition will be represented by its regular attorneys.

The application is based on the assumption that Jackson Park is public property, a place of popular resort, owned by the whole people. The park commissioners, it is alleged, hold this property in trust for the people and have no authority to close the gates on any day in the year. It is further alleged that, since they have not the right to shut out the public from the park at any time, they have not the right to delegate to any other body the right to close the grounds on Sunday.

It is claimed that under the charter held by the commission citizens and tax-payers have the right to visit Jackson Park on any day in the year without paying any price of admission. In the application for an injunction the question of admission price is formally waived and there is no attempt to interfere with the arrangements of the Exposition management on that score. The gist of the claim is that neither Congress nor a national commission nor a board of local directors has the right to exclude citizens and taxpayers from a public park upon a certain day in the week, and that the Park Commissioners hold no authority to exercise such a right to confer it on any other body.

The application recites at length the organization of the Columbian Exposition, the manner in which Jackson park became public property, its temporary loan to the Exposition commission through the local directory, and the succeeding legislation in regard to Sunday closing. It is set forth that in a few months the Exposition is to open its gates, and that it is the intention of the management, acting under assumed authority conferred by Congress, to close the gates on the Sabbath day in violation of the terms of the charter. Therefore, the court is asked to enjoin the commissioners and all others holding pretended authority from pursuing such a course.

PHELPS WELL LIKED.

statements.

A Berlin cable says Minister Phelps has been considerably annoyed by newspaper paragraphs in the United States stating he was on bad terms with the German government.

Such reports appear to have been sent out from here by an irresponsible journalist and one of them was founded on the minister's Thanksgiving speech at the Kaiserhof banquet. The reports further state that Mr. Phelps' speech was unfavorably commented upon in the German press.

The latter assertion is absolutely untrue, while his popularity with the government is shown by the fact that on the day following the banquet he was invited to dine with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Baron Marschall von Richerstein.

The week following he dined with Baron von Beriepsch, Minister of the Interior, and on Saturday last with Dr. von Stephan, Postmaster General. The fact that Mr. Phelps made a special allusion to Prince Bismarck as a personal friend, through whose support Mr. Phelps was able to effect the introduction of American pork into Germany in spite of strong opposition, is not remarkable, as he was an American.

Contesting for the Land.

Duluth dispatch: A new element in the controversy over the celebrated section 30 has been brought to light in the application for a stone and timber claim filed by Thomas J. Walsh on what is known as the "Hyde forty," the northeast one-quarter of the southwest one-quarter of section 30. The forty is regarded as the most valuable part of the famous section and is considered to be worth many thousands of dollars, perhaps a million.

Escape and Recapture of a Murderer.

BALLSTON, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Martin Foy, Jr., the murderer of Henrietta Wilson, overpowered a turnkey yesterday afternoon and escaped from jail. He was pursued and caught in a grove a half mile from town. He was compelled to surrender at the muzzle of a revolver. Foy escaped once before and was recaptured in San Francisco.

Works Both Ways.

London cable: Mr. Peters, Secretary of the North Atlantic Steamship association, states that the decision not to carry steerage passengers on the vessels belonging to the association after January, 1893, applies to American citizens and residents of the United States as well as to persons who have never been in America.

Franz Huber, who was formerly a soldier in the Austrian army, hanged himself to a tree in the Prater at Vienna to escape arrest for the murder of a woman.

MAIL THIEF CAUGHT.

Walter S. Gurnea of Chicago Is Placed Under Arrest.

Walter S. Gurnea has been arrested at Chicago for robbing the mails. Inspector Stuart found in his possession drafts for $11,260, payable to Miss Florence Rogers of Evanston. Gurnea has lived the greater part of his life in Chicago. His father, the late Dr. George W. Gurnea, was a well-known physician of Hyde Park, while his mother still resides at 5532 Madison avenue. Gurnea is 26 years old. When he reached his majority he passed the civil-service examination with credit and soon had a position in the postoffice. He was sent down stairs to work in the mailing-room. Then letters began to disappear and Capt. Stuart began to watch for the thief. Gurnea told his wife of his trouble and she fell in a faint. When she revived she was seized with hysteria, and rushing to a bureau drawer in which a revolver was kept tried to secure the weapon and end her life. Capt. Stuart took the pistol from her and left the broken-hearted girl in the care of a friend.

He then gathered up the stolen letters and conducted his prisoner to the Federal Building.

Gurnea confessed that he began stealing mail shortly after being appointed. He was married, he says, three months ago, and his salary of $700 a year was not enough to live upon. All of the letters found by the Inspector had been mailed the day previous at Wellington, Ill. In Gurnea's pocket-book were several railroad tickets, some cheap jewelry and a postal note which had been mailed Dec. 9.

Gurnea had no chance to select the letters he took, so whenever he had an opportunity he would carry off a whole bundle of mail.

Inspector Stuart was considerably elated over the capture. He believes he has a case on Gurnea which will send him to prison a goodly term of years.

"I guess there won't be any letters missing for a while now," he said while waiting for his prisoner to finish his confession. "Gurnea had a good chance to get a lot of money out of the department as he was in a position where I had but little reason to suspect or even look for the letter thief. Oh, I can't even estimate how much money he has taken. It may have been much and it may have been little. At any rate I am glad he is put into a safe place."

"I feel sorry for his wife. She is just a young girl from Kansas City and seems to think the world of the fellow. Why, when I took him to her after his arrest she almost went wild. If I had not got hold of that pistol a suicide would certainly have followed the arrest of Gurnea."

The arrested clerk will be brought before Commissioner Hoyne for the preliminary examination.

SLAVIN EXECUTED.

He Shot and Killed Constable Davey at Cornwall, Ont., Last September.

James Slavin, alias McMahon, was [illegible] Ontario [illegible] morning at 7:45 for the murder of Constable J. R. Davey on Sept. 5. Slavin, who was a tough of the worst variety, had shot a young man named Antoine Lafess at a dance. He fled and was met by Constable Davey, who attempted to arrest him with the assistance of a man named Lewis Lefevre. The latter caught Slavin and while holding him was shot in the left shoulder. Slavin then broke away only to be seized by Davey. He pointed his revolver straight at the constable's breast and fired, the bullet passing through the officer's body, killing him instantly. Slavin was captured by the crowd and narrowly escaped lynching. His trial took place on Oct. 13, when he was convicted and sentenced to death. Lafess and Lefevre both recovered from their wounds.

Mrs. Maybrick Worse.

A London cable says: Baroness de Roques, mother of Mrs. Maybrick, telegraphs to the representative of the Associated press that her daughter's condition has become worse within the past two days. She says Mrs. Maybrick's strength, which appeared to return after the cessation of the hemorrhages from which she recently suffered, has not been sustained and that she is again unable to retain her food. The Baroness adds that Mrs. Maybrick is in a condition of heart-broken depression and she fears that she will sink entirely beneath her mental agony.

Ex-Congressman Morse Dead.

A Boston, Mass., special says: Ex-Congressman Leopold Morse called at the Hotel Vendome shortly before 5 o'clock last night to see Representative Hitt, who was attending the reception of the Boston Merchants' Association. While waiting in one of the outer rooms of the hotel he had an epileptic shock. His physician was called and just as the guests of the Merchants' Association were filing into the dining-hall he was removed to the house 203 Commonwealth Avenue, nearly opposite, where he died within an hour.

Anderson Writes to Crisp.

New York dispatch: E. Ellery Anderson has written a letter to Speaker Crisp in regard to the treatment of the latter on Saturday night at the Reform Club banquet. Mr. Anderson declined to say what was in the letter. He said Mr. Crisp might make it public, but he would not.

Earthquake in Greece.

Athens special cable: A sharp earthquake shock has occurred here and caused considerable excitement. Nobody was hurt and no damage was done to property.

HE SPEAKS FOR THE POPE.

Manager Satolli's Mission Positively Declared by Archbishop Ireland.

St. Paul dispatch: When asked Saturday as to the mission of Manager Satolli and the extent of his powers, Archbishop Ireland replied that in view of the contradictory reports put into circulation regarding Manager Satolli and of the uncertainty into which, in consequence, the public mind has been thrown, he is not now unwilling to speak, however persistent was heretofore his resolve to be silent. He said:

"Mgr. Satolli will remain with us for a good while to come. The report that he has been recalled by the Pope, or is likely to be soon recalled, is simply absurd. The report and others revealing a similar animus are the inventions of parties who suffer defeat from his presence and would be delighted if, by creating a public opinion adverse to his influence, they could in some manner force him to retire from the country. But those parties know neither Mgr. Satolli nor Leo XIII.

"Mgr. Satolli represents the Pope. Opposition to him is opposition to him is opposition to the Pope. Disrespect to him, criticism of him, is disrespect to and criticism of the Pope. He was sent directly by Leo to speak to the Archbishops assembled in New York the mind of Leo on the alcohol question. It is sheer nonsense to say that he was admitted by courtesy to the conference. He told the Archbishops, as the official report of the conference asserts, that he spoke in the name of the Pope and declared the thoughts of the Pope.

"Mgr. Satolli has also received amplest powers to settle all disputes between Bishops and Priests. The authority with which he is invested is unusual; but this shows that the Pope puts unusual confidence in him."

GOLD IS GOING AWAY.

Continued Heavy Shipments of the Precious Metal to Europe.

New York dispatch:—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says the shipment of more than $3,000,000 in gold to Europe early this week has caused some natural apprehension in speculative markets. "It is true that the gold is demanded by Austria under such circumstances that an exceptional premium is paid for it, but neither Austria nor any other country could draw gold from the United States at present unless there were heavy sales of American securities by foreigners. The exports of breadstuffs, cotton, provisions, cattle and petroleum in November amounted to $72,669,392,000 a month and an excess of merchandise exports over imports of not less than $20,000,000. At the same time silver has been going abroad in large amounts. It is clear that, unless securities had been moved this way in unusual amount, gold could not be taken abroad in the settlement of international exchange. But the conditions of domestic trade are decidedly healthy and the approaching close of the year will find a larger volume of business, both foreign and domestic.

The movement of gold does not for the present cause especial stringency in the money market here, because currency is coming this way from the interior. Nevertheless it is felt that any considerable outgo at this season must effect prices of products, and wheat is nearly 1 cent lower than a week ago, with but moderate sales, corn is about 1 cent higher and oats substantially unchanged.

The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number 301, as compared with totals of 297 last week. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 335.

Michigan State Grange.

Lansing, Mich., dispatch: The attendance at Thursday's session of the State Grange was larger than that of any previous day, and much routine business was disposed of. The treasurer's report showed a balance of $10,809 on hand, and those of several lesser officers indicate that the order is flourishing in all its branches. Jonathan J. Woodman, who has charge of Michigan's agricultural exhibit at the World's Fair, has requested the grange to ask the next Legislature to make an additional appropriation for this exhibit, and this action will doubtless be taken, as it is conceded generally that the present allotment of $194,000 is wholly inadequate.

New Railway for Mexico.

Monterey, Mexico, dispatch: One of the most valuable railway concessions granted by the Mexican government for some time has been obtained by Choppin Bros., who are understood to represent a syndicate of United States capitalists. The proposed line is to run from Esperanza, a thriving town on the Mexican or Vera Cruz railway, to Sachil, a small place in the State of Vera Cruz. The country traversed by this route is one of the richest agricultural sections in Mexico. The concessionaires have deposited $500,000 in the national treasury as a guaranty to the government for the faithful performance of the stipulations of the contract.

Not Due to the Election.

General-Manager Moffatt, of Scranton, Pa., denied the published statement that the election of Cleveland as President was the cause of the shutting down of the North Steel mills of the Lackawanna Iron & Steel company. He says: "The rail business is always dull this season of the year more than ordinarily so. The mills will run as soon as sufficient working orders are received, no matter who is President.

Burglars robbed the Vandalia depot at Staunton, Ind., securing a small amount of money.

WASHINGTON.

Senate and House.

Washington Dispatch: There is considerable comment over the fact that the biggest whisky locality in the United States is the one from which comes a proposition to Congress to raise the tax on whisky. Representative Owen Scott of Bloomington, Ill., has presented the bill to increase the revenue tax on distilled spirits from the present rate of 90 cents a gallon to $1.25 a gallon. As Mr. Scott lives only forty miles from Peoria, the whisky center of the country, it is naturally presumed that he reflects the wishes of the people in his immediate vicinity. Collector Starr's (Fifth Illinois) Revenue District paid to the government $20,828,247 in taxes on liquor during the last year, according to a recent report of Commissioner Mason. This was more than twice as much as the liquor taxes paid by the banner bourbon district of Kentucky. It was almost 20 per cent of the entire internal-revenue collection of the government. It might be presumed, therefore, that the localities paying this vast sum in revenue taxes would desire to have the tax reduced instead of greatly increased, as Mr. Scott's bill proposes.

Mr. Scott has laid his bill before Mr. Springer, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the House, and it is said that Mr. Springer thinks the plan of an increased whisky tax is a good one. Mr. Springer is not yet ready to discuss the merits of the question, but in a general way he agrees that there must be some increased revenue of the government and that an added whisky tax might as well supply this revenue as anything else. Mr. Springer's Congressional District is also very near the whisky producing center.

Messrs. Springer and Scott are moving, however, solely with a view to increasing the revenues of the government without any purpose of suiting the whisky producers. Judging by the past action it would appear that the liquor-producing fraternity would not favor an increase in the tax. On the contrary, they have urged Congress to reduce the tax to twenty-five cents a gallon. Few people are aware of the fact that the tax of 90 a gallon is a tax of 200 or 300 per cent of its value, and in some cases the tax represents 700 per cent of the value of the article. Bourbon whisky is made at 30 cents a gallon and rye at 40 cents, while the ordinary article, known as "spirit goods," is produced for 12 cents a gallon. Yet the various grades all pay a uniform tax of 90 cents a gallon.

The liquor producers urged Major McKinley to reduce the tax to 25 cents a gallon. It is said, however, that the whisky producers would be reconciled to the increased tax because of the added value which it would give to the product they now have on hand. It is said that this product amounts to 15,000,000 gallons, so that an increase of 35 cents a gallon on the tax would increase the value of the present stock by several million dollars, since, of course, only the old duty can be col-

ROBBED THE MOURNERS.

Chicago Crooks Ply Their Avocation While Attending a Funeral.

St. Louis, Mo., dispatch: John, alias James Foley, and John, alias "Buck" Steward, alias Charles DeVerge, two notorious crooks from Chicago, narrowly escaped lynching at the hands of an infuriated mob Tuesday afternoon. The two men were searching for some house to burglarize and arrived at the residence of John H. Buregemann.

A funeral was in progress. Following the mourners, they entered the room where the body lay. While the minister was performing the last sacred rites Foley and DeVerge moved among the occupants, picking every pocket they could.

GILCHER BROKE IN TWO.

Bottle Containing a Note from One of the Crew Found on Manitou Island.

Buffalo, N.Y., special: A dispatch received here contains the first definite tidings of the lost steamer Gilcher. A bottle was picked up on the west side of North Manitou Island last Thursday by Christian Olstran. It contained a letter written in pencil as follows:

"Whoever finds this bottle please send it to 440 Ohio Street, Buffalo. She broke in half. Can't last much longer. The Gilcher is a goner. Goodby everybody. TOM TINLEY."

This tends to confirm the belief that the Gilcher was unseaworthy.

Damage Suit Settled.

Detroit dispatch: Thomas J. West has settled his $20,000 damage suit against the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern and Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad companies, which arose out of the "tunnel accident" at Toledo, for 10 per cent. The sum of $2,000 was paid to him jointly by both companies, the Lake Shore paying the larger share, and the case was discontinued yesterday. This was one of several suits brought by different passengers injured at the time and the other suits are likely to be settled also.

Mother Charged with Murder.

Galveston, Texas, dispatch: Melinda Millingie, unmarried, a woman of ill-repute, about 37 years old, was found yesterday in her room dead, her throat cut and completely disemboweled, sitting at a table with her head on her arms. She was living with her mother, who was arrested on suspicion. No other persons occupy the house. The mother and daughter frequently quarreled and both were addicted to drink.

Gov. McKinley of Ohio called at the White House and had a short interview with the President.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Christmas comes but once a year!
Ring the bells of every steeple
So the people, all the people
In the Christian world, shall hear.
Emerald trees of precious splendor
Will their wondrous fruits surrender,
And the gift-king will appear.
Wherefore should I tell the story
Of the heavenly child of glory—
Tale of sorrow and good cheer!
You have heard it often spoken
And by many a treasure-token
Have memorialized the tear
And the gladness that commingled
When the Holy One was singled
For the manger, cross, and bier.

Christmas comes comes but once a year!
With its legend of the stocking,
And the presence that—unknocking
Enters, ere bold chanticleer
Calls, in shrill and sturdy warning:
"It is mo-r-n-ing! It is mo-r-n-ing!"
In his matin, loud and clear:
And the shadow-gate unlocking,
Is so beautiful, so mocking,
Arched by hope and barred by fear.
Lovely spirits in robes of whiteness
Leave their dreams with feet of lightness,
As the day-dawn draweth near.
And their cheeks are like June roses
When their eager search discloses
Christmas presents sweet and queer.

Christmas comes but once a year!
But to some it does not come
Ever with remembrance dear.
Some are poor and lone and weary,
Sorely stricken and heart-dreary.
Only He—pierced by the spear
Till his side became a fountain,
On the brow of Calvary's mountain—
Fathoms discipline severe.
He can read the checkered blending
Of the wrong and right unending—
Seeming so to eyesight blear—
'Tis the sphinx of man's career.
But ring bells from every steeple;
Tell the happy, favored people,
Christmas gilds the dying year.

A Christmas Repentance

BY

SARAH BERNHARD

THE CHATEAU OF Ploerneuf was the terror of the Breton people. The country folk made the sign of the cross as they passed by and murmured, "There is the Accursed one's castle!"

About the walls that surrounded the grounds was a brier hedge, which no one dared to cross. The servants passed each other by like shadows, afraid to speak above a whisper. No one dared to address the master. Only the young Count Robert found favor in the eyes of the lord of the manor, the old Duke de Kerberzoff, his uncle.

At the time when this story begins Robert was seated at the old man's feet. He was seated in the great ducal chair; his face was livid, his eyes gleaming, and his countenance distorted with fear. He was listening intently; one would have said that he was the ghost of terror.

Beside him on a porphyry column burned a small golden lamp set with precious stones. Behind it stood a tall negro, who, as each minute passed, let fall a single drop of oil upon the flame. Close to old man's withered hand lay an axe, and the negro would have atoned with his life for a single forgetfulness of his duty.

"THE STONES OF THE SILL WERE LOOSENED."

The Duke was even paler than usual; his long, white hair was matted upon his temples, and from his terror stricken eyes great tears rolled down into his silver beard.

"My dear Lord, is your suffering worse?" asked Robert, gently.

The Duke shuddered; he was still listening intently.

It was Christmas night. "Noel! Noel!" sang the peasants' voices. "Noel! Noel!" rang out the chimes.

Then the old Duke rose up like a spectre.

"Listen, Robert!" he said. "Listen!" The old man had not spoken for twenty years. His sepulchral voice echoed through the great hall and the ancient armor hanging on the walls gave forth a metallic sound. The young Count was petrified with fright.

"Twenty years ago I had a son; he was handsome, brave and generous. He loved a young peasant girl and wished to marry her, but I refused my consent—I could not countenance such an outrage. My son pleaded with me, but I was inflexible; my escutcheon would have been eternally disgraced. I was wrong, my boy, I was wrong! Never give way to pride! It is a mortal sin!" Sobs choked the old Duke's utterance, but he continued:

"The maiden was beautiful and virtuous. I offered her money; she refused it. Then I had her carried off and imprisoned in the tower of the castle. Several months passed; my son was faithful to his word, I to my pride. I decided to kill the maiden, so I sent word to her secretly to escape at the first opportunity. A silken ladder was given to her, and she was carefully instructed as to its use and how to fasten it to the window. She prepared for flight. Then I arranged an infamous trap for her. Listen, Robert! listen! I had the stones of the window sill loosened, so that it would give way beneath her weight, carrying the unfortunate girl with it as it fell, and she would be dashed to pieces upon the marble floor of the courtyard below.

"It was Christmas! That night I fell asleep in the fear of God. Then I was transported to an immensity of clouds. Innumerable arches followed each other in never ending succession. Beneath these arches small golden lamps were swinging gently to and fro, so numerous that it would have taken years to count them. Some burst suddenly into flame, others were as suddenly extinguished. Some burned with a fierce light, others flickered for a long time before they died out completely.

"Each one of these lamps was guarded by an angel. All the new lamps were tended by fair white angels with faces of unspeakable beauty; by others stood black angels, ugly and evil looking, and those seemed to await with impatience the moment when the flame should be finally extinguished.

"'What is all this?' I asked my guide.

"'These lamps are the souls of men,' he replied. 'The ones which start suddenly into flame are the souls of new-born infants, and spotless angels guard them. Here are the souls of those who have reached the time of life when they can think for themselves, and the Spirit of Evil and the Spirit of Good dispute their possession. Those lamps which are flickering and fading out are the souls of the dying. See!' he cried, pointing out several flames which were on the point of extinction, 'see! at the supreme moment the soul almost always turns to the Spirit of Good!'

"Then I asked him to show me my own lamp.

"'Come!' said the strange being who conducted me.

"Leading me on through innumerable arches, we went on and on for a long time. Then stopping suddenly, 'See!' he said. 'Behold thy soul!' I was petrified with terror. One single drop of oil remained in my lamp, and over it hovered an angel with coal black wings, who blew upon the flame [illegible]

"I WAS PETRIFIED WITH TERROR."

to make it burn out more quickly. I was in mortal fear, and I was a coward; yes, I was a coward," said the Duke, trembling violently.

"Listen, Robert, listen! Beside my lamp burned another with a steady and brilliant flame; a white-winged angel watched over the golden vessel. The Spirit of Evil came and whispered in my ear."

The old Duke ceased. It seemed as if he heard the spirit's voice at that moment. His eyes were bloodshot, his hair stood on end with fright and his teeth chattered. He continued, in a hoarse voice:

"The white-winged angel looked at me sadly, but the black kept whispering in my ear. I saw nothing; I would see nothing. From the black angel's wing I plucked a feather, and dipping it into the brilliant lamp I took the oil out drop by drop and let it fall into my own. My flame became brilliant and red as blood; the other grew paler, but retained its starry brightness. Only one drop of oil remained; and the white angel stretched forth his wing to stop me, but another with wings gleaming like mother of pearl and bearing a golden sword came to us. 'Let the man do his will! God will judge him!' he said. Then I took the last drop of oil.

"Then I was afraid. 'Whose lamp is this?' I asked, pointing to the flame which was just on the point of going out. And the voice replied, 'It is the soul of thy beloved son.' At that moment the flame went out. The white angel took the soul in its wings and flew away with a cry of grief, but the Spirit of Evil responded with a loud cry of triumph.

"I awoke frozen stiff with horror. Two corpses were stretched out upon the floor of my room crushed almost out of human shape. My son, notified by his betrothed, had wished to protect her in her flight, and the dreadful trap which I had set for her had killed them both. It was Christmas—twenty years ago!"

The old man fell back in his chair, the tears streaming down his face.

"Stop!" he said to the negro who was tending the precious lamp. "Feed the flame no more! I have made my confession, now I can die—but can God find pardon for me?"

At that moment the castle bell rang loudly and the chants of the church were heard. The doors of the great hall swung open. Through them was seen the chapel of the old manor blazing with lights, and the Child Jesus on His bed of straw seemed resplendent with glory and pardon. The old Duke fell on his knees before the Infant God. "Man!" said the voice of the priest, "Christ was born, suffered, died to redeem the sins of men. Thou hast sinned, thou hast suffered, thou hast repented—God pardons thee! May thy soul depart in peace!"

Then the old man looked at the golden lamp and saw above it an angel with snow white wings, and he recognized him as the guardian of the brilliant lamp. The angel smiled on him sweetly, and taking up the flickering light flew off toward heaven.

The Duke Kerberzoff was dead.

Christmas Church Decoration.

In decorating a church, do not wait until the afternoon before Christmas, and then get at the work in hand in a haphazard fashion, trusting to a happy inspiration which generally fails to come, when wanted, for satisfactory results. Appoint a committee to see to the work, and let it decide on some scheme of decoration. When it has made a decision, fall to with a will, and help it work out its plans, but never hamper or annoy it by constant suggestions of changes which you may think would be improvements. In this, as in other things, too many cooks spoil the broth. If the committee possesses ordinary taste, and thinks out a definite scheme before beginning operations, the chances are that the church will present a far more pleasing appearance than it would be likely to if all the young people in the neighborhood came together without a plan to work on, and suggestions from everybody were received and an attempt made to carry them out.

Christmas Gifts for Men.

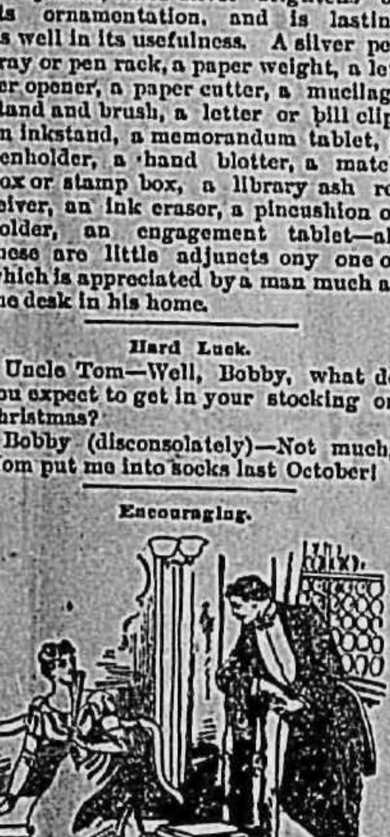
If a man has a nook of his own in his home, what men are apt to call their "den," the Christmas gift cannot be better than something which will enter into the practical spirit of that room. If he has used a writing table, or if his present desk has outgrown his papers, the most acceptable gift would be one of those roller-top desks of generous capacity which men so enjoy. Expensive, you say? Not at all for the lasting enjoyment derived from such an article. A most [illegible] oak desk, filled with pigeon-holes, drawers and side-slides, can now be purchased for $30, and far better is it to spend a little more on a useful present than to waste a small amount upon something utterly useless to a man. Or, if the desk be there, or the purse will not permit, there is perhaps lacking a comfortable rug under the desk, or an easier chair. A revolving book-case, a dictionary holder, or a simple "double-storied" table stand for books and papers, to be placed beside the desk, are luxuries which any man enjoys in his library. For the inside of the desk there are many little things which can be thought of to brighten writing hours, and when they are to be had in silver they are far more acceptable, since silver brightens by its ornamentation, and is lasting as well as in its usefulness. A silver pen tray or pen rack, a paper weight, a letter opener, a paper cutter, a mucilage stand and brush, a letter or bill clip, an inkstand, a memorandum tablet, a penholder, a hand blotter, a match box or stamp box, a library ash receiver, an ink eraser, a pincushion or holder, an engagement tablet—all these are little adjuncts any one of which is appreciated by a man much at the desk in his home.

Hard Luck.

Uncle Tom—Well, Bobby, what do you expect to get in your stocking on Christmas?

Bobby (disconsolately)—Not much; Mom put me into socks last October!

Encouraging.



Miss Lovina Cottedge—Oh, Mr. Squeer, I am so much pleased with your beautiful Christmas gift!

Madison Squeer—I am very glad you liked it. (Thinking of his rival.) Er-r-r, did you get anything from Shippen Clarke?

Miss Cottedge—I told him that he had better save the money.

Envy Rebuked.

"Any one can see with half an eye," remarked the Potato to the Plum Pudding, "that you have got an awfully swelled head."

"Oh, rot!" rejoined the Autocrat of the Christmas Table; "you're the unfortunate fellow who's always getting Famines up; but I bring only joy to mankind."

ILLINOIS.

The State bank at Springfield has sued Mr. Copeland of Wabash county for $200, alleged to have been given in payment for a fence right.

The King's Daughters at Harvey, Ill., have taken a little girl out of the foundling's home at Chicago, and one of their number will take care of her.

Miss Ida Shultz, a Streetor girl, attempted suicide by the gas route, but the gas failed to work and the young lady is still in the land of the living.

Gov.-elect Altgeld has sold his Chicago residence. This would seem to indicate that he expects to live at Springfield forever.

Bloomington may get a pearl button factory as a Tennessee firm is looking around for a suitable Northern location for a branch institution.

The Macon County Women's Columbian club are endeavoring to secure for the ladies of that county a worthy representation at the world's fair.

A $500 reward has been offered for the capture and conviction of the assailants of Miss Lillian Harnish, the 17-year-old Batavia school teacher.

Champaign has a Charity Whist club, the gentlemen members of which contribute 25 cents at each meeting to be used for charity throughout the city.

The thirty-seventh annual meeting of the Illinois State Horticultural society holds a three days' session at Champaign next week beginning Dec. 6.

The Illinois Valley circuit is already out with its dates claimed for next year. Joliet has the opening meeting the last week in July, followed by Ottawa and Streator.

Thomas Cooper of Pekin would like to be revenue collector again. Harry Hickox of Springfield and Harry Swimmer of Quincy are also candidates for the place.

A colored laborer at Jacksonville, while grading a lot a few days ago, unearthed a quantity of silver coin. Some of the money was counterfeit, but most of it was genuine.

Professors of the University of Illinois have been buncoed by a colored man, who was masquerading as a minister and collecting money for a new colored church at Champaign.

The Fifteenth ward Democrats of Chicago want Frank Lawler appointed postmaster. They say he has been a consistent working Democrat for twenty-five years.

Mayor Cooke of Galesburg has commanded that the saloons close at night at the legal hours, that other legal requirements be strictly complied with, and that no favors be allowed.

On the death of Morgan Bryant, an eccentric old man of Parkersburg, Edwards county, it was discovered that he was a wealthy man, having kept his money in an old trunk in his attic.

New brick and gas kiln companies have been organized at Galesburg, each with a capital of $250,000. They will make paving brick, and terra cotta, brick, tile and other clay wares.

Ransom has a tender-hearted merchant. He told an employe who was arrested for stealing goods from him to come around after he had got out of [illegible] and he would give him another job.

RIPANS TABULES
Diseases, [illegible] Stomach, Torpid Liver, Ulcer [illegible] Water Brash and every [illegible] that results from
FOR SALE:—A house and half acre of land [illegible]
[illegible] tion of the emblem is to be fittingly celebrated

Great indignation prevails at Clayton over the reported desecration of graves of Union soldiers after the election. It is asserted by the citizens that no such acts of violation took place.

Mr. Theodore Nelson of Decatur, who served as secretary of the Democratic State central committee during the last campaign, has been tendered the position of Deputy Recorder of Cook county.

The Illinois State Teachers' association will hold its thirty-ninth annual meeting at Springfield Dec. 27, 28 and 29, for which time a very interesting and instructive program has been formed.

Moline is promised a passing glimpse of Swedish high life next summer as it is understood that an attache of King Oscar's royal court is engaged to a young lady of that city and that the wedding is set for the month of roses in '93.

Peter Carlson, one of the Rev. Schweinfurth's disciples, recently got on a drunk at Rockford, but he was helped out of his difficulty by the prompt payment of his fine by one of the farm hands.

Miss Ella Parker, a 17-year-old daughter of a prominent Rossville family, was whipped by her father because she thought too much of a certain young man. She refused to stand such treatment and threatened to run from home.

A. G. David, editor of the Carlinville Democrat, was assaulted by Fred Corning and somewhat bruised about the face. In his paper the editor had selected from among the "sports" of the city a cabinet, offering the same for adoption to President-elect Cleveland. Corning was among those named by Mr. David, being selected for Secretary of War. He got the impression that it was his duty to begin operations at once and declared war on Mr. David.

Officers of the University of Illinois deny emphatically any knowledge of the advertisements signed by Prof. Van Angelbach, which are alleged to have been printed in London, offering for sale degrees in the Illinois State University. The officers of the university do not know Angelbach, neither have they authorized the sale of degrees in London or elsewhere. If the advertisements refer to that institution they are alleged to be a swindle. The officials of the university also deny that "Edgar D. Broughton Rouse of Corpus Christi college, Cambridge, has been appointed English commissioner. They say they do not know him.

A Rockford schoolma'am, who owned a lot in Denver to which she attached but little value, has just been notified of the sale of a half interest in it for $12,000. She had almost forgotten of the existence of property, and the news took her breath.

The Hon. Gustavus Von Hroobeke, was United States Attorney for the southern district of Illinois during Cleveland's administration, desires the office again. Ex-State Senator William E. Shutt of Springfield, Senator Palmer's law partner, is thought to have a better chance for the place. The Hon. Thomas W. McNeeley of Petersburg is also after it.

Winter Resorts of the South.

Jacksonville and Tampa, Fla., and other South Atlantic and Gulf Coast resorts can be reached with but one change of cars from Chicago and that at Louisville or Cincinnati, where the Monon makes close connection with the L. & N. and Q. & C. Vestibule trains, running through to Florida.

The Monon's day trains are now all equipped with beautiful new parlor and dining cars, while its night trains are made up of smoking cars, day coaches, and Pullman and compartment sleepers, lighted by electricity from headlight to hindermost sleeper.

The Monon has gradually fought its way to the front, making extensive improvements in its road-bed and service, until to-day it is the best equipped line from Chicago to the South, offering its patrons facilities and accomodations second to none in the world and at rates lower than ever before.

CHIPS AND SHAVINGS.

A first-class ledge of mica was recently discovered near Chelan, Wash.

Ice cream in which jelly has been frozen is a new kind that comes from Boston.

It is said the Russian salad we make in this country is totally unknown in Moscow.

Boston is ready for the future, as usual, with a Twentieth Century club fully organized.

There is no truth, whatever, in the belief that anyone falling into the sea necessarily rises and sinks three times before drowning.

A sportsman found in the wilds of Lane county, Oregon, the other day a valise containing a lot of watches, chains and other jewelry, supposed to be the discarded loot of a burglar.

The proposed underground electric railways for London, if sanctioned, will be sixteen feet under the Thames, sixty-eight feet beneath Regent's park, and eighty-five feet beneath Oxford street.

One of the curiosities of the great Milwaukee fire was what is known as the "red anvil." This implement of industry was left "booming alone" high in the air in the ruins of a three story smithy. Long after the sea of flames had swept by it stood glowing on its lofty perch, an object of curiosity to thousands of spectators.

Electric heaters are found to be excellent for use in conservatories on account of the absence of all unwholesome gases or vapors which might injure the plants, simplicity in construction in the parts conveying the energy, perfect safety as regards heat, which can be regulated at will, cleanliness and convenience and rapidity in starting and extinction.

They have curious ideas of ownership in Europe. In France there is an unwritten but immutable law that a painting shall not be exhibited without the artist's consent, no matter [illegible] the owner may be. [illegible] artistic con[illegible] has [illegible] what th[illegible] And now [illegible] gress in session [illegible] decided that the right of reproduction does not pass to the buyer of a picture.

CHARACTERISTICS.

There are in the United States 5,338 public or subscription libraries.

Mrs. G. V. S. Quackenbush of Troy, N. Y., has given to the trustees of the Troy female seminary a fund for the erection of a school for music and art.

The moth has a fur jacket and the butterfly none because the nocturnal habits of the moth require it. The diurnal movements of the butterfly do not.

An automatic match igniter is a recent novelty. You pull a lever, a match travels along a roughened surface and is then thrust out of an opening already ignited.

It is not likely that the limits of microscopic life have yet been ascertained. The most powerful microscopes made render barely visible many organisms so minute that their shapes can not be distinguished, and there is no reason to doubt that others still smaller exist, which the most pow[illegible] ful glass fails to make visible.

BRIGHT AND BREEZY.

"Well, Mr. Duffy?" "Morn[illegible] Stoutberry; have yez an 'impt[illegible] flour, sor, to make a hin-c[illegible] dorg?"

"The idea of a wife of a[illegible] ure as he calling him Birdi[illegible] why not? He can swear li[illegible] at least."

Mrs. Bunting, reading fro[illegible] ion paper—There is no [illegible] pocketbooks this season. [illegible] There hasn't been any in [illegible] married you."

"Here's the latest thi[illegible] mometers," remarked the [illegible] of the store. "It looks q[illegible] ato" "Yes. It has a spirit [illegible] tachment so that you can regulate it to suit yourself."

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CHICAGO'S anti-smoke crusade seems to have begun and ended in smoke.

IF Chicago wants clean streets she will have *to begin by cleaning out the street* department, and judging from the events of the past week the windy city fully understands the situation.

AN able contemporary devotes much space to the thought that Hill will be the Secretary of State under the incoming administration. This is too ridiculous for grave consideration. Cleveland and Hill have not the fraternal feeling one for the other that our a. c. imagines.

To Abolish Electrocution.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 20.—A determined effort will be made this winter to have the legislature abolish capital punishment and substitute life imprisonment. It is said Governor Flower favors the movement. A bill will be introduced this year taking from the chief executive the power of pardon, and in its place allow pardons to be granted by the court alone.

Troops For Key West.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The war department has now fully decided to quarter troops at Key West, Fla. Three batteries of artillery have been selected, two of which will be sent to Fort Barrancas and the third to Key West. The prevalence of yellow fever on the island until recent years has prevented the government from making this move before now.

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COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 19.—The Hocking Valley coal operators have for some time past been discussing among themselves a method whereby they could arrive at a proper division of tonnage. The formation of a company to take exclusive charge of their coal output is now assured. Not less than 4,000,000 tons of coal will thus be handled yearly by one company. This will represent an annual business of $10,000,000.

Trouble Along the Rio Grande.

MONTEREY, Mexico, Dec. 17.—President Harrison has been furnished with documentary evidence in proof that a plot exists among a large force of Mexicans in Texas, to make an armed expedition against Mexico. It is now believed that serious international trouble will grow out of the San Ignacio outrage if the United States does not show its disapproval of the act by punishing the perpetrators. The Mexican government is strengthening its force of soldiers on the border by the addition of 2,000 troops.

Shot by His Son.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 18.—Chas. H. Schwahn, a wealthy though hard drinking resident of this city was shot at by his son Edwin and severely wounded to night. Schwahn came home drunk and began abusing his wife and family. Edward took his mother's part which so enraged the old man that he turned on the boy who grabbed a revolver from a bureau drawer and fired two shots at his father. The first struck him in the eye and the other just grazed his body. Young Schwahn is locked up to await the result of his father's injuries.

Flour Mill Destroyed by Fire.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Dec. 20.—Blackman Brothers' extensive flour mill, a few miles of this city, was totally destroyed by fire last night, entailing a loss of ten thousand dollars. A large amount of grain was stored in the building at the time.

Want More Indian Lands.

EL RENO, Okla., Dec. 17.—An effort is being made to have the Wichita and Kiowa and Comanche Indian reservations opened to settlement during this session of Congress. The land embraced in this reservation is unsurpassed for agricultural purposes, and the Wichita mountains are supposed to contain much valuable mineral wealth.

Wants $500,000.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Dec. 17.—The board of trustees of the University of Illinois *will ask the next legislature for an appropriation* of over $500,000, which sum it is proposed to utilize as follows: For new electrical building, $160,000; new library building, $125,000; new museum, $90,000; additions to library, $10,000; expenses of next two years, $120,000.

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COUNTY SEAT NEWS.

Frank Stewart is here from Iowa visiting relatives.

Miss Celia Stafford is recovering from her recent illness.

F. E. Fenderson and wife, of Antioch, were here Saturday.

Many Waukegan Woodmen attended the funeral of Joseph Devine, Wednesday morning at Wadsworth.

Several Waukegan teachers will attend the annual meeting at Springfield the latter part of this month.

It is stated that Waukegan gets more home trade than ever before and that fewer people go to Chicago to trade.

Dennis Welch, a farmer living near Wadsworth, died Tuesday night. The burial was Thursday at Mill Creek.

Robert Patterson, of Naperville, visited his cousin, Miss Alice Yule, Wednesday. He has also recently visited relatives in Millburn.

Seven patients are taking the Dr. Thompson Bi-Chloride of Gold treatment for the liquor and tobacco habits with prospects of services.

Mark M. Thompson, President of the Bi-Chloride Co. was in this city the first of the week, calling on the patients at the Waukegan Institute.

The *Gazette* office has been removed to the rooms owned by the editor, R. W. Coon, on Genesee St., over the store occupied by J. J. Page.

Mrs. Sarah Stafford and Mrs. L. Haskins attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Jethro Brown, [illegible]icago, Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Brown were residents of this city.

Over twenty teachers met in Waukegan *a week ago Saturday* and a reading circle was organized with Miss Minnie Besley as President and Miss Lucy Burke, Secretary. An executive committee was also appointed. The next meeting will be held three weeks from the time of the first meeting.

Lake County will be represented at the World's Fair. W. M. Hay, of Champaign, directed by Prof. Rolfe, is looking over the government survey plats and taking notes preparatory to making a map of the beautiful scenery in this state, of which Lake County presents the most beautiful, owing to its numerous lakes.

An attempt was made to burn the Coon block on Madison st., Monday night. A small light was discovered by Mrs. Thomas Grady in the alley at about six o'clock. Mr. Grady immediately investigated and found a tin can filled with benzine put into a hole in the clapboards of the building which was blazing, but was readily extinguished. Had the fire gained any headway the result would probably have been serious. Neither Mr. Coon nor anyone else has any idea who went deliberately to work to destroy this property.

Our people were greatly shocked when they were told Monday afternoon that Chas. Fox had hung himself. The body was discovered hanging in the barn by L. A. Loomis, who immediately gave the alarm. Officer Tyrrell and others quickly repaired to the scene. There was nothing to be done but to bear the *lifeless body to the house. An inquest* was held and the verdict of insanity was given. Mr. Fox had been in poor health for a few weeks. He was a partner in the firm of Steele & Fox in the dry goods business for many years and was generally known throughout the county. He was about sixty years of age. He was industrious and friendly and was well liked. The funeral from the Baptist church Wednesday was largely attended.

The water tax will be about $108,000. An acre of land will be donated to the city. This land is on the flats directly east of Glen Flora avenue. On it will be built a power house of brick with a tower and gable roof, with thirty-nine windows. The chimney will be 110 *feet high and ornamental.* In the power house there will be two pumps having a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons per day. Three boilers will be used, also a settling well 18 feet in diameter. The crib is to be 3,000 feet from the shore of the lake, where nine oak piles will be driven and cut off ten inches above the bottom of the lake. The crib, 15 by 15 feet by 30 inches is to be constructed of tank iron. The intake pipe is to connect the cut with the pumping station. The distribution system will have a 20 inch pipe up the bluff, curved pipe being used. The pipe will pass beneath the bed of Dead River. Beginning at North Avenue *a sixteen inch* main will extend to various streets. A 12-inch main will distribute on three streets, 8-inch on twelve streets and 6-inch on forty-three streets.

VOLO.

May the editor of the NEWS and its numerous readers have a merry Christmas.

We learn that there will be a Christmas tree at Big Hollow next Saturday evening.

Mrs. C. Bartholomew, of Millburn, visited his sister, Mrs. F. Hooper, one day last week.

There will be a Christmas tree in the Methodist church on Christmas Eve. All are cordially invited to be present.

Anyone having an old horse to get rid of can take the same to Ben Dawe, as he has established a home for old horses.

Mrs. J. Compton has returned from Chicago, where she has been receiving medical treatment. Mrs. Levi Wait had charge of the house in her absence.

The Volo factory will pay its patrons on [illegible] the next [illegible] payment it makes, and the patrons are anxiously waiting to see what they are going to get.

Mr. O. A. Howard met with quite a serious accident the other day, while he and his brother were at work in the barn cutting stalks. A loaded gun belonging to his brother stood in the way, and in moving it was discharged, the contents passing through Mr. Howard's foot, which was pretty badly lacerated.

PATSY.

GRASS LAKE.

A merry Christmas to all the readers of the NEWS.

Mr. Barn Yopp took in the World's Fair city the past week.

Mrs. T. Frazier is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Delaney at Evanston.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Herman, Sr., will visit in the city during the holidays.

Mr. J. J. De Cartrett reports the death of a brother living in England. Mr. De Cartrett has the sincere sympathy of his many friends here.

Mr. Frank Herman was married to Miss Ella Bartlett, of Lake Villa, a week ago last Thursday. They have the best wishes of their many *friends for a happy journey through* life.

Last Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Little gave a donkey party at their home here. Four prizes were offered. Miss Emma Treuger received the ladies' first prize, a perfume-bottle stand. Dick Wilton carried off the gent's first prize, a pack of playing cards with case. One of the booby prizes was captured by Miss McGinty, and the other by Rob Selter. There were about fifty guests present. Messrs. C. Blunt and C. Hendricks recited several pieces. Other guests sang and played on the piano. At 11 o'clock, refreshments were served, after which all departed, having spent a pleasant evening together.

FOX LAKE.

Are we going to have a Christmas tree? We hope so.

Ought to have a little more snow. Hope we will before Christmas.

Miss Blanche Culver is slowly improving. She has been a very sick girl, and all hope soon to see her out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Raught, of Volo, Ill., and Mr. James Van Deusen, of Waukegan, visited with H. L. Johnson and wife Saturday night and Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Raught also visited with relatives and friends at Lake Villa.

CAMP LAKE, WIS.

The ice is quite thick on the lake.

Mr. H. E. Yaw took in Burlington Friday.

Miss Susie Hayward and friend were callers here last week.

Miss Maggie Gallagher took a trip to Antioch Wednesday.

Mr. Geo. Breul is spending a few *days at his home near Milwaukee.*

Miss Hetta Yaw spent Wednesday with the Misses Harden at Antioch.

Misses Maggie Gallagher and Nellie O'Brine spent Friday in Burlington.

Mrs. Delia Sherwood and Miss Mattie Gaggin spent last week with their sister Mrs. J. H. McVey.

The school will give an entertainment the Friday evening before Christmas which promises to be very good.

TREVOR, WIS.

Mr. S. Didama is on the gain.

Miss Belle Graves called on the Misses Longman last Thursday.

Mr. and Miss Armer, of Raymond, visited at H. Hanson's over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Scherf, of Wilmot, visited at C. Sibley's over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Savage visited at C. Crittenden's a few days last week.

Miss Belle Bush, of Pleasant Prairie, is the guest of the Misses Longman.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. J. Orvis, Mrs. C. Sibley, Mrs. J. Longman and Miss Hattie Crittenden.

Quite a number of our young folks attended the dance at Antioch last Friday evening. All report a fine time.

MILLBURN.

John A. Thain and oldest daughter went to Waukegan last Friday on business.

Miss Maud Spafford spent a few days in Chicago and returned home Sunday, very sick.

Miss Carrie Bater has returned home from Evanston and is going to stay here for some time.

Miss Jessie Bater of this town spent Sunday at home and returned to work again at Waukegan.

Edward Martin says that he thinks it will be hard on him to sing for five days, one after another.

Wm. Mitchell went to Antioch last Wednesday and took in the sights of the large sale at Foltz' store.

Mr. and Mrs. John Perkins of Antioch were here and spent Sunday afternoon and evening at John A. Thain's.

There is to be a Singing Convention at Millburn from the 26th to the 30th inclusive, and an entertainment in the evening of the 30th. Mr. Straub, *of Chicago, is going to* be the leader. All are cordially invited.

Richards-Dayment.

MARRIED:—At Waukesha, Wis., December 21, 1892, Mr. Chas. Richards to Miss Sadie Dayment, both of this township. The NEWS joins with a large circle of friends in wishing the happy couple a long and pleasant voyage on the "Matrimonial Sea."

Big Meeting of Engineers.

JACKSON, Mich., Dec. 18.—Over five hundred members of Division No. 2, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers held a secret meeting here to-day. Special trains ran from Detroit, Fort Wayne, Bay City and Toledo to this city. It is said the meeting was called to present a grievance against the Michigan Central company. Certain vital questions were discussed, but the members say they are forbidden to say anything about the objects of the meeting.

IN MEMORY OF BROTHER A. J. SHERWOOD.

Hall of Lake Lodge I. O. O. F.
Antioch, Ills., Dec., 1892.

WHEREAS it has pleased the all wise Father to call from our midst our beloved brother, A. J. Sherwood, whose death is highly mourned not only by the members of the Lodge, but by the entire community in which he was known,

Be it Resolved that it is always well that the virtue of the departed should be remembered, that the living draw therefrom lessons of wisdom.

Be it Resolved that in the death of brother Sherwood, Lake Lodge I. O. O. F. has lost a worthy member and his wife an affectionate husband and the community a citizen whose character has endeared him to all who knew him.

Be it Resolved that we extend to his afflicted wife our earnest and heartfelt sympathies in her deep affliction and Resolve that a copy of these resolutions under the seal of the Lodge be sent to sister Sherwood and that they be spread on the *records of this Lodge*, and that they be sent to the *Odd Fellows Herald* and the Lake County *Patriot* and the Antioch NEWS for publication.

Committee { J. H. Colegrove,
Wm. Emmons,
Joseph C. James Sr.

New Year's Ball.

Given by manager and proprietor of the Opera House, Antioch, Ill., Monday evening, January 2, 1893. Don't forget the date. Orr's Orchestra, of Waukegan, will furnish the very finest music on that occasion, and nothing will be left undone on their part to make the first party of 1893 one of the best. Our dances will all be of the very latest. First on the program will come the overture, "Welcome our Friends;" then the grand march, followed by Caledonian "Our Lady Friends;" then all of the very latest dances.

Come one, come all, and have a good time. Make yourselves at home, for we will be with you and see that you don't get left in the dark this time, as the lights will be kept burning brightly.

Floor committee—Will Emmons, Antioch; Jas. A. Owen, Wilmot; Jas. Barnstable, Grass Lake; Rob. Selter, Grass Lake. Tickets, $1.50.

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Washington Letter.

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.)

The alleged snubbing of Speaker Crisp at the Reform Club Banquet, in New York, by President-elect Cleveland's friends has created a sensation in Washington, and all sorts of predictions, some of them ridiculous are made of what will come out of it. Mr. Crisp will not talk much about it himself, but his friends are doing enough talking and some of it is fighting talk, too. Mr. Crisp admits that he prepared in advance a speech and furnished the press with copies of it in anticipation of delivering it at the banquet, and that he was not asked to speak. The anti-Crisp democrats say that this snub is a notice that the Cleveland folks do not approve of Mr. Crisp, and that they will have a candidate for Speaker of the next House, and it looks to an unprejudiced man as though they are in the neighborhood of being right.

Every session of Congress is, according to its members, before it convenes, to be a "working session," but if this one is to develop any hustling qualities, it has got to "get a move on" its first weeks pace, which has been of the regulation leisurely before-the-holidays brand. It has done and is doing lots of talking about what may be done at this session, but the only actual practical step that has been taken towards really *doing something is the reporting* to the House of one of the regular appropriation bills—the Military. True, a number of bills have been introduced but that does not indicate progress, as the calendars of both House and Senate are already crowded with bills to such an extent that not one-twentieth of them can possibly be disposed of.

Notwithstanding conference committeess of democratic Senators, appointed to help elect new democratic Senators, and meetings of prominent republicans held to devise means to elect new republican Senators, it looks as though the third party was the only one which actually wishes to gain any senatorial recruits, *at least that is what one is* bound to infer when he hears democrats wishing that the republicans may secure enough of the doubtful Senators to give them control of the Senate in the next Congress, and republicans making the same wishes for the democrats.

Senator Teller says it is a waste of time to talk about repealing the present, or Sherman silver law until something better can be offered the silver men in its place. He still hopes that something may come of the international Monetary Conference, but does not expect it before spring. If the conference fails entirely, he says, that Congress must then necessarily tackle the silver *question and adopt a law that shall* be permanent.

The employes of the Government Printing Office, particularly those who work at night say the eight hour law curtails their earnings to such an extent as to be a hardship, and they propose asking Congress to amend the law so as to exempt that Office.

Ex Senator Warner Miller and a number of other gentlemen interested in the passage of the bill providing for a government guarantee of $100,000 of the bonds of the Nicaragua Canal Company are in town talking up the advantages of their scheme. The bill is all right as far as the Senate is concerned, but it will have a hard time getting through the House, if it ever does.

The friends of the several territories now seeking admission as states are discussing the feasibility of forming a combine to support an omnibus bill admitting Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Utah. and they believe that it is possible to push such a measure through both House and Senate, although it may be necessary, some of them think, to substitute a home rule territorial government for Utah, instead of statehood in order to get votes enough. The idea is to be talked up in the republican and democratic caucuses to be held shortly.

Representative Holman does not propose that any public building bills shall be acted upon at this session, if he can help it, and although his party sometimes sits down rather hard upon his extra economical ideas, there are reasons for the belief that he will come very near to having his way this time.

According to an estimate made by the second auditor of the Treasury it would require $200,000,000 to pay the claims, if the bill to pay the soldiers of the late war the difference between the value of the greenbacks in which their salaries were paid during the war and gold at that time, should be enacted into a law.

HE STOPPED THE TRAIN.

It Was a Matter of Life and Death, So He Was in Haste.

He had just boarded a Fourth street car, avers the Cincinnati *Gazette*, when his face turned ashen gray, and, with a choking sound in his throat, he clutched at his inside pocket, leaped from the platform into the street with a cry of "Stop that train! Stop that train!" and darted down Central avenue like a maniac, overturning a banana stand, knocking *down a small newsboy, and eluded the clutch* of a vigilant policeman who pursued him on a run with a roar of "Stop thief, stop!"

"Stop that train!" he yelled to the elevator boy as he sprang through the entrance of the Grand Central, tripped over the rubber mat, and rolled headlong into the waiting-room.

"Stop that train for heaven's sake!" he screamed, as he jumped down the stairs in mad leaps, crushed a woman's bonnet box and knocked the breath out of a Cleveland traveling man in his furious flight.

"Will no one stop that train?" he wailed, as he fought with the turn-stile tender at the gate, and at last hurling him back against the grating, plunged through the gate and ran down the shed on the wings of the wind, waving a parcel over his head in a despairing appeal to the brakeman on the rear platform of the *fast-disappearing* New York vestibuled limited.

"Stop that train for the sake of all that's holy!" he howled, as he butted a truckman in the stomach and overset a tram of fifteen Saratogas. "Stop that train!" shouted the trainmen in the shed. "Stop that train!" whooped the passengers from the windows of all the other cars along the way. "Stop that train!" shrieked the disheveled and terror stricken man, pallid with fear. "Stop that train!"

With a grinding of wheels far out in the yards and a snort of steam, the engine stopped—the conductor leaped to the ground and ran back, pale with anxiety, to the spot; the porter climbed half-way out of the window with starting eyes; and the breathless man, darting up to the car, hung gasping to the rail as he handed to the brakeman a packet, and choked:

"Please hand 'em to Mary—they're her curlin'-irons—she would a' skinned me alive ef I'd fergot 'em!"

As the train rounded the last turn of the old canal bed a brakeman with a face like a thunder cloud passed through the coaches solicitously inquiring for Mary.

Military Force of Europe.

New York *Sun*: Mr. Labouchere said the *other day in Truth that Europe would shortly* have at her disposal at least 20,000,000 of trained soldiers. The assertion was disputed, but it turns out to have been an understatement of the truth. The official data relating to the growth of European armies are set forth in a pamphlet which has just been published in Paris by Captain Molard, of the Military School of St. Cyr.

It appears that in 1870 the regular soldiers and militia of France nominally amounted to 1,330,000 men; but, as is well known, only a fraction of these could be promptly mobilized and turned to account against the Germans. On paper, Germany had a smaller force, namely, 1,300,000, but proportionately a much larger could be at once placed in the field. At the same epoch the military establishment of Russia comprised 1,100,000 soldiers, that of *Austria 750,000, that of Italy 570,000.* Switzerland had 150,000 and Belgium 95,000. Including England, Spain, Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and the Balkan States, for which details are not given, the whole of Europe in 1870 could, at the utmost, put 7,000,000 men in active service.

What is the situation to-day? This year the French army has risen to 2,500,000, the Russian to 2,451,000, the German to 2,417,000, the Italian, which now occupies the fourth place, to 1,514,000, the Austrian to 1,050,000, the Swiss to 212,000 and the Belgian to 128,000. In most of these countries the expenditure for military purposes has more than doubled since 1869, and in Switzerland the increase has been much greater. Viewed collectively, Europe now spends more than a thousand millions of dollars annually on her *fighting force, which already amounts to* 12,500,000.

Such figures, however, give but an imperfect idea of the state of things which will presently exist, as soon as the new military laws shall have come into full effect. Then the German army will comprise 5,000,000 men; the French, 4,350,000; the Russian, 4,000,000; the Italian, 2,236,000; the Austrian, 1,900,000; the Swiss, 489,000, and the Belgian 258,000. Altogether Europe will be able to dispose of not less than 22,000,000 soldiers, or 15,000,000 more than she had in 1869. Such is the price which she had to pay for Germany's seizure of Alsace-Lorraine. It is at least possible that her fighting force might be cut down by two-thirds to-morrow were those provinces restored to France.

SUIT FOR DAMAGES.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 19.—James Jenkins and wife, of Youngstown, Ohio, have entered suit in the United States Circuit Court against the South Fork Fishing Club, in the right of Mrs. Jenkins, for $2,500 damages for injuries received in the Johnstown flood. This is the first suit ever entered directly against the *Club for its connection with the flood.*

COWARDLY JESSE JAMES.

When a Mere Boy He Helped Kill a Wounded Soldier's Brave Wife.

"I was living in Lawrence, Kan., when Quantrell's gang sacked and burned the town," said Mrs. Ann Boettler to the Corridor man of the St. Louis *Globe Democrat* at the St. James. "There were very few able-bodied men in the *place at the time, and the guerrillas had* everything their own way. They massacred 180 people.

"Jesse James, then a beardless boy of 16, was with the gang. *I was living with a woman* named Stephens, whose husband was a federal soldier. He had been wounded and sent home. Jesse James and three or four others of the gang invaded the house with the avowed purpose of killing Stephens, who was confined to his bed. He had been shot through the hips, and his body was paralyzed from the waist down.

"Mrs. Stephens met the guerrillas at the door and begged for her husband's life, but they only laughed at her. They crowded past her and approached the bed. 'Would you murder a wounded man,' asked Stephens. 'Oh I guess you'll only be easier killed,' said *James; 'I've killed nineteen people to-day* and I want to make it an even twenty.' Mr. Stephens had a large navy revolver under his pillow. He siezed it and began firing. You You never saw such a scampering in your *life* as those guerrillas did to get out of range. They rushed outside and fired a volley through the windows, breaking Mrs. Stephens' left arm.

"Then they set the house on fire. I was but a child of 12, but with my help, Mrs. Stephens managed to get her husband out of doors, and she stood between him and the guerrillas. They told her to stand aside or they would kill her too, but she refused. Mr. Stephens still held his pistol and they were afraid to approach to drag her away. Her husband commanded her to go and leave him to his fate, but she would not move. The *guerrillas fired on her and she fell across her* husband. They fired again and Stephens fell back dead.

NATIONAL FLORAL EMBLEM.

A Bill Introduced in the House Selecting the Pansy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—Mr. Butler, of Colorado, to day introduced in the House a bill to establish a national floral emblem of the United States of America. The bill names the pansy, called also the garden violet, heartsease, etc., as the national floral emblem. The sentiment expressed in connection with this emblem is to be "Justice, Liberty, Union, Culture, Peace," the last three words to constitute the motto. The inauguration of the emblem is to be fittingly celebrated May 1, 1893, in connection with the opening of the World's Fair.

FIRST MAP OF AMERICA.

Da Vinci's Drawing to be Loaned to the World's Fair by Queen Victoria.

LONDON, December 17.—It is officially announced that the queen, at the request of the government at Washington, has decided to loan for exhibition at the Chicago Fair, Leon*ardo Da Vinci's original drawing of the first* map of America, now in the royal collection at Windsor Castle. The officials of the British Museum have agreed to permit the copying of any documents bearing on the early history of America for exhibition at Chicago.

OPERATORS RESUME WORK.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 18.—W. I. Allen, as assistant general manager of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, was in the city to day. *In talking of the strike of the operators on the* line he said the company was now fully able to transact all business. About seventy-five of the strikers had been given their old positions, but whether any of the rest would be reinstated was a matter not yet determined. At any rate the company has prepared a schedule of wages in which the minimum pay is fixed at $45 per month and overtime to be paid for pro rata. No discrimination will be made in favor of union or non-union operators, except in the case of dispatchers who will have to be non-union. A conference between the company and its employes in the telegraph department will be held soon.

Want the Law Repealed.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 17.—A strong movement has been started by the Chinese residents of the United States to secure the repeal of the Chinese exclusion act. A poll-tax of $1 a head will be levied on every Chinaman in this country to defray the expenses of a concerted action against the measure. This will mean a fund of over $100,000. The Chinese government will protest, and failing to secure satisfaction will retaliate. It is thought there will be no recourse to arms, but there will be an abrogation of treaty *rights and the 1,500 American merchants* and the missionaries now in China will be refused the protection of the government.

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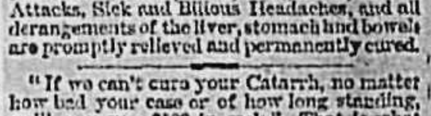

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At what age do men usually wish to retire from life?—Hermit-age.

FACT AND FABLE.

The Argonaut of the Mediterranean in Captivity.

There are but few animals that have raised as many questions or excited the curiosity of the naturalists as the argonaut of the Mediterranean. Its organism and its actions are extraordinary; the fables of which it is the subject can not be counted. There are many different opinions by those who have studied this rare animal, but never alive, as it is found in nature. Very recently one was secured alive by a fisherman, and by a constant renewal of the water in an aquarium a scientist kept it alive for twenty days. The argonaut secured was a female; the male is entirely different and resembles a mass of pulp. There were two points to be decided—the shell and the arms.

The shell is something like a cornucopia flattened laterally and, unlike all mollusks, it is not connected to the body by a muscle.

It is known to-day that the shell is not one. In fact, it is simply an apparatus for protecting the laying of eggs, and doubtless at the same time protects the animal, and it was not known until lately that the animal could again take possession of his shell when forced out of it. It has eight arms provided with suckers.

During his captivity, the opening of the shell is vertical, the curve turned toward the top, projecting slightly out of the water. It was generally very quiet, but breathed very strongly, as if out of breath. The eye is round, edged with black, the pupil also very black and perfectly round, center regular and rigid, but the sight seems to be dead. Little fish, of which it was very fond, could swim near without its taking any notice, but the moment they touched an arm, they were seized and carried to the mouth in the wink of an eye. A funnel seen below is for emptying the water that has served for breathing and for propulsion. All the arms are retired within the shell except two. He was never seen to use the arms for oars as many have claimed; he swims like other cephalopodes, by the successive contraction and relaxation of his covering, the water goes out by the funnel, producing a backward movement.

The arms were never spread outside to take wind or water. When irritated the arms are drawn into the shell and the membrane resembles a bundle of thin cloth, silvery white with brilliant reflections. The skin of the body, like that of the arms, is very rich in chromatophores, enabling it to change color. The aquarium so closely imitated natural conditions that the observations made are nearly the same as if the animal was on the sea.

The Oldest Known Inscription.

In the palace of the Louvre, Paris, in that position set apart for Hebrew antiquities, may be seen the famous "Pillar of King Mesa." It is fashioned from pure black basalt; measures forty inches in height, twenty-eight in width and fourteen in thickness. For 2,800 years this famous historical "stela" remained in one position in the "country of the Moabites," on the shores of the Dead Sea, at the spot, as is supposed, where the frontier of their territory joined with that of the tribe of Rueben. It bears upon its faces the very oldest inscriptions that have as yet been deciphered, characters, words and sentences that were "graved thereon" at a time contemporaneous with the bible, nine hundred years before the birth of the Savior. One remarkable thing in connection with this antique pillar and its history is the fact it was not buried in the sands as most well-preserved ancient relics have been, but remained standing erect in the full light of the day for 28 centuries. The first news of the whereabouts of this ancient pillar was communicated to M. Clermont-Ganneau, one of the French consuls at Jerusalem, in 1870. The great historical value of the find may be judged from the fact that many of the inscriptions supply facts that have been wholly omitted from the biblical accounts of the wars between King Mesa and the Israelites.

Bound to Be Good.

Not long ago there lived in Pennsylvania an old lady who was celebrated for having a famous breed of turkeys.

On one occasion she sold one of these to a man named Brown. When cooked and served up at the table it was found to be so tough as to be quite uneatable. Meeting the old woman a short time afterward Mr. Brown said to her:

"What did you mean by selling your turkey to me?"

"What was wrong about it?"

"It wasn't good at all," said the gentleman.

"No good? It was bound to be good. It won the first prize for eleven years at cattle shows."

A Paying Business.

Some English newspaper women who wanted to find out whether the people who sing in the London streets make a good living or not, put on a disguise and taking a guitar, went out to try it for themselves. After singing and playing for an hour and a half they had collected 7s 4½d. And they were only amateurs at that, and with no previous experience in pleasing the people.

His Modern Weapons.

"You have made this Cupid with a revolver," said the editor to the artist. "Isn't it customary to arm the god of lovers with a bow and arrows?"

"Yes, sir," replied the artist, "but art must keep up with the times."—Judge.

Good Bleeders.

Jinks—"I don't see why doctors ever gave up blood-letting."

Filkins—"Nor I. Their bills are eminently adapted to that purpose."—Life.

BOUND FOR THE POLE.

DR. NANSEN'S SHIP READY FOR THE ADVENTURE.

The Explorer Expects to Pass Through Behring Straits Around the North Pole Into the East Greenland Seas—Will Start in February.

No vessel has ever been so carefully designed and built for the purpose of battling with the Arctic ice and endeavoring to reach its core at the North Pole, and certainly no more solidly constructed or perfect description of vessel has ever before been turned out of a builder's hands for Arctic service than the one just finished for the use of Dr. Nansen's Arctic expedition. The vessel is constructed on nearly similar lines to those of a Scotch buckleboat or Norwegian pilot. She is furnished with engines of about 170 indicated horse power, powerful pumps to be worked by steam or hand power and electric lighting machinery. She also takes with her a baloon to be held captive for purposes of observation and carries seven boats—four on davits and three on skids over the main hatchway. Two of these, larger than the others, are capable of carrying the entire crew, with provisions for several months, and warm tents in the event of the abandonment of the vessel.

The expedition will leave Norway in February next so as to arrive at Bering straits in June, when the vessel will enter the Arctic waters and push her way as far as possible toward the pole to the north of the Liakhov islands, where she will be frozen in, and then conveyed, according to Dr. Nansen's theory, to and past the pole, and be finally discharged into the East Greenland seas.

The dimensions are as follows: Length of keel, 31.00 meters; length on water line, 34.50 meters; length over all, 39.00 meters; beam molded at waterline (excluding "ice sheating"), 11.00 meters; depth molded, 5.25 meters; displacement, at draught, of 4.75 meters (800 tons); height of lookout from "crow's nest" on main topmast above the water, 105 feet; total sail area, 600 square meters.

Coal is carried for over three months' constant steaming. The engines will give her a speed of six knots, but sail will be used generally as motive power. The crew will consist, all told, of not more than twelve men, and provisions for five years will be carried. The vessel is rigged as a three-masted fore and aft schooner, with square sails, which can be rigged on the foremast when required. The original estimated cost of the expedition was about £16,700, but will probably come to considerably more. It may be mentioned that Dr. Nansen's idea of having a vessel with sides like the letter V, by which he presumed that the vessel would rise up or on to the ice when nipped, was abandoned as impractical, but that in the shallow U form of the present vessel the idea of lifting under the pressure on the sides has not been set aside, while it presents far greater resisting power to crushing, and if lifted has far less chance of heeling over.

DR. NANSEN'S SHIP.

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The President of Harvard Assails the Character of Their Teachings.

It cannot be denied that there is serious and general disappointment at the result of popular education up to this date. In spite of all efforts to make education universal, all classes complain more than ever before of the general conditions of society. Yet after two whole generations it seems as if some increase of genuine reasonableness of thought and action in all classes of the population ought to be discernible. Many persons, however, fail to see in the actual conduct of the various classes of society the evidence of increasing rationality, writes President Eliot of Harvard.

The educated critics of the practical results of public education complain that lawless violence continues to break out just as it did before common schools were thought of, that lynch law is familiar in the United States, riots common from Berlin to Seattle, and assassination an avowed means of social and industrial regeneration. Even religious persecution, these critics say, is rife. The Jews are ostracized in educated Germany and metropolitan New York, and in Russia are robbed and driven into exile by thousands. Are votes less purchasable now than they were before the urban graded school and the State university were known?

On the other hand, the least-educated and most laborious classes complain that in spite of universal elementary education, society does not tend toward a greater equality of condition. They allege that the rich man in modern society does not bear, either in peace or in war, the grave responsibilities which the rich man of former centuries, who was a great land-owner, a soldier, and a magistrate, was compelled to bear. They point out that wars are more destructive than ever, this century being the bloodiest of all centuries. If universal education cannot abolish, or even abate, in seventy years, the horrible waste and cruelty of war, can anything great be hoped from it for the laboring classes?

WILL BECOME A SOCIAL LEADER.

Mrs. Edwin Gould Is the Youngest of all the Great Millionaries' Wives.

Mrs. Edwin Gould enjoys the distinction of being the youngest of all the great millionaires' wives, as she will not be 18 until spring. Mr. Gould is not at present the greatest millionaire, but has good prospects. It is on the cards that Mrs. Edwin Gould will become a social leader. She has never been about in society even a little. The dancing class arranged by her mother, Mrs. Shrady, last winter, which she attended a few times, was a small affair. It was primarily intended to occupy a few of the Shrady boys' evenings and keep them in pleasant company. There were only fifty subscribers all told for these dances, and never more than seventy present, including a few outside guests. One of them, it has turned out, was important. Mr. Gould's bride is a handsome girl with natural manners and a sweet disposition. She is not remarkably accomplished and knows no language but her own, but she has a good soprano voice. At present she is very simple in her tastes, which fact was illustrated by her trousseau. When she wishes to do so she will be able to carry with good effect any amount of dress. She is more than five feet seven inches tall, about the same height as Mrs. Shrady. She has hazel eyes and brown hair to match them, very fine teeth and an unusually clear complexion, with a pleasing color. Mrs. Shrady during the life of her first husband, Mr. Cantine, resided at Saugerties, N. Y., which was Mrs. Gould's birthplace. The brother of Mr. Cantine still lives at Saugerties and the Shradys have a handsome country seat there.

MRS. EDWIN GOULD.

HOW TWO MEN RAISED $10.

The Shrewd Way in Which Chicago Gullibles Were Worked.

I BET ON HARRISON. I AGREED IF I LOST TO BEG TEN DOLLARS IN PENNIES TO PAY MY BET. PLEASE HELP ME OUT.

Just north of the Clark street viaduct, Chicago, two men stationed themselves. One of them unfolded a paper parcel and brought out a placard. Printed across it were the words given above. He pinned it upon his breast, produced a cup from his overcoat pocket, and assumed the attitude of a street beggar. The second man pointed his cane at the placard until passersby began to stop and read it. Then he said:

"I won that bet. But I have agreed that the money shall go to the poor. So, gentlemen, you are really doing an act of charity when you drop a penny into that cup."

For nearly an hour the two men stood there. The passing throng laughed good-naturedly and contributed liberally. From time to time the cup was filled and emptied into the capacious overcoat pocket of one or the other of the two men. Then a policeman came in sight, half a block away, attracted by the unusual crowd.

"Thank you, gentlemen, one and all," said the beggar. His companion bowed, waved his hand, and the two walked away.

Half a block from the scene they turned into a saloon, sat down at a table, emptied out the pennies and divided them equally.

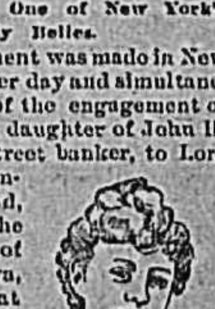
"We are poor," said the man with the cane. "Hot whiskies for two, please, barkeeper. It's beastly weather for standing out in the open air—but at $5 per hour I think we can stand it."

LORD DUFFERIN'S SON.

He Has Captured One of New York's Society Belles.

The announcement was made in New York city the other day and simultaneously in London of the engagement of Miss Flora Davis, daughter of John H. Davis, the Wall street banker, to Lord Terence John Temple Blackwood, second son of the famous Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, the diplomat and at present English Ambassador at Paris.

Miss Davis is a remarkably beautiful young woman, and is one of the recognized belles of New York's society. Lord Blackwood was in this country when his father was Governor-General of Canada. He made Miss Davis' acquaintance in London last season. The date of the marriage has not yet been settled, but it is believed it will occur before the Lenten season. The groom's father was Governor-General of Canada from 1874 to 1880, when he was succeeded by the Marquis of Lorne.



MISS FLORA DAVIS.

Cloggs Barred Out.

Even while in search of happiness some people are narrow in their views. At a recent festivity held in an Irish manufacturing town this sign was posted conspicuously on the hall door: "Dancing, 9 o'clock to 12. Admission, 3d. Ladies in clogs not admitted."

A Stradivarius violin, recently sold in Stuttgart, commanded an unprecedented price—$3,000.

CHRISTMAS GHOSTS.

A NATURAL SKEPTIC HAS A WOEFUL EXPERIENCE.

Goes a Spirit-Hunting and Encounters a Dead Creditor and Is Afterward Hurled Into a Christmas Festival in Spirit Land.

THEY HAD TOLD Plummer that the time was not distant when he would meet the dead face to face on the street, and shake hands with them and pass the compliments of the day. "Oh, my brother," they had said (meaning Medium Brown and Sister Solomon, and several others, who were strong in the spiritual faith), "we are making progress very fast. It was wonderful enough when the spirits embodied themselves in matter which was merely an imitation of flesh and bone and blood; but we are now to have the genuine article, and it will stay with us as long as seemeth to it good and profitable."

"Now, mark you!" said Plummer, speaking of this to a friend in whom he had confidence, "I don't believe it. It is simply impossible; and yet even more curious things are told of in scriptural history, you know.

I'M JONES—P. Q. JONES.

Plummer was naturally skeptical. He had fat, red cheeks and a little mouth that continually looked as if it wanted to whistle, and fat hands and short, fat legs, and a confiding way that made him many friends; and then he had a habit of believing in himself and his own shrewdness that made everybody laugh. "They can't fool me," he often remarked, snapping his fingers as if in contempt of all efforts to that end; and whenever he said it, the words created a broad smile all around the board, as if the idea of fooling Plummer was the height and depth of all absurdity.

Well, the manifestations began without the aid of the slightest electricity. There was no sitting around a pine table and singing psalms, as Plummer remarked afterward. The conditions were perfected without any apparent premeditation, and the boys and girls over there came and went just as if they belonged here and were about to resume where they left off when they passed out.

Plummer was first astonished by being stopped at the junction of the streets. It was about 9 o'clock at night of the 24th of December, and there was a full head of gas in the street lamp on the corner. A man with blood-red eyes, dressed in a ragged overcoat and a plug hat, the front of the rim of which was torn so as to rest on his nose, leaving the eyes conspicuous in the vacancy thereby created remarked in a hoarse, low voice: "I'm Jones—P. Q. Jones. Know me? Died in '61. 'Member that $5 I loaned you? Want it?"

"I had an indistinct remembrance of borrowing $5 of somebody of that name," said Plummer afterward, "and of his dying before I had a chance to return the money. Now I don't know that this was the Jones in question, but if not, how should he have known of the transaction? Well, I was glad to get the matter off my mind, and I handed out $5. I intended to ask for a receipt in full, but as I looked the man disappeared."

He paused before a building that was lighted from top to bottom, and every light in which appeared to be dancing a jig without regard to rhyme, time, or propriety of movement. This might have been partly a result, however, of the whirling snow, it having come on to storm in good, old-fashioned Christmas style. Pausing to put a handful of silver into the outstretched palm of an old woman who said she was once known as Lucretia Borgia, and casually remarking to her that he hoped she had stopped the poisoning business, Plummer entered the building, and nearly ran against a man of rather small stature, with a prominent nose cast in the Roman style, long gray hair brushed back of his ears and tied with a ribbon, and remarkably keen, bright eyes.

"If I'm not crazy," said Plummer, half to himself, "that's the ghost of Aaron Burr."

"Your servant, sir," said the man to Plummer, with a courtly bow.

Plummer could think of nothing appropriate to say, so he blurted out:

"How's Aleck?"

"Mr. Hamilton and I arranged our difficulty satisfactorily a long time ago, sir," said the man, with gloomy dignity. "That is too old a topic to discuss now," and he disappeared as if he had been shot up some invisible chimney.

Just how Plummer got into the long dining-hall of the place he can not remember. It seems to him that he was pushed one way and pulled another, and he is confident that somebody kicked his shins—he carried the very bark on them a long time. He recollects that he suddenly found himself on the floor, having finally been thrown there with great velocity. As he went down there were a thousand shining lights in his eyes, and there was the noise of clinking glasses and merry laughter. About the table were as many as a hundred gentlemen and ladies, clad in as many kinds of dress, running back to the modes of the middle and further ages. There was a Mrs. Cleopatra, who was not attired to any great extent, clinking glasses with a gentleman who appeared to bear a close resemblence to Julius Ceasar and pointing a coquettish finger at Mr. Antony. There was Queen Elizabeth, with a ruffle around her neck so large that it seemed as if it ought to choke her, exchanging exclamations of wonder with Walter Raleigh with respect to the Brooklyn bridge, whiel King John tossed merry jests to Annie Laurie and got them back again, Mary Queen of Scotts discussed the war tariff with Lord Darnley, and William Shakespeare put up his hands with Francis Bacon in a violent argument as to Mr. Darwin's origion of man.

Plummer had apparently risen to a sitting posture about this time and was drinking it all in with his eyes and wishing the same with respect to his eager mouth, when there advanced a marvelously pretty lady who announced herself as Hagar in the wilderness, and immediately introduced a lady with a water-vessel on her shapely head as Rachel at the well.

"In good faith," said Plummer gallantly, "you carry your years right royally. You must be—why, good gracious!" exclaimed Plummer, as he hastily indulged in mathematics, "you must be so old that you can't count it, and here you are with the down and color of the peach on your your cheeks, and with eyes that sparkle and lips that lift my soul to unutterable yearning. By heavens! it is good to be here. And how are Uncle Abraham and litle Ishmael?"

"We may not dwell," said Rachel at the well; and thereupon Hagar in the wilderness spoke up business-like, but with a winning smile:

"We are appointed a committee of two to bear to you the compliments of the Queen of Sheba, and conduct you to her Majesty's side. Shall we have that honor?"

"You bet!" exclaimed Plummer, with great rudeness; recognizing and regretting which, he promptly added, "Even as the duck yearneth for its native element, so my heart goeth out to her serene and unrivalled Majesty."

"'Plummer,' said her Majesty, as I slid into a chair at her side, embarrassed like, 'I have long looked ahead to this hour. Hundreds of years I have waited for it. Ah, with what intensity of alternate hope and despair, dear Plummer! Sweetheart, have a drink?'

"The concluding words seemed harsh to me, though they were uttered in the clearest and most musical of tones. I quaffed, however, and it must have been of a beverage brewed by the immortal gods. Fast as I quaffed, odd as it may seem, the words were repeated, 'Sweethearts, try another,' and finally I sank, I swooned—the spectacle, the music, the company faded away—I knew no more."

The Christmas day began with flying snow. The bells rang out from church steeples and rang merrily from the necks of flying horses. The windows had countless forest and city scenes and figures on them, traced by the merry but eccentric frost. "It must be late," said a forlorn figure, staggering to an upright position in a deserted hallway, "Wh-hy, where's m' watch?" The figure searched its pockets and inquired with much anxiety, "Wh-hy, wh-here's m' money?" Then the figure staggered out to the sidewalk, dismally uttering the mysterious word, "Se-cooped!"

SHAKESPEARE IN ARGUMENT.

"Merry Christmas!" exclaimed an expectant youth, extending his open palm.

"M'shon," replied the figure, gloomily and in a great state of confusion and doubt, wearily lifting a tremulous hand to a throbbing brow, "Y' may th-think so, b-but I know b-b-etter."

And the Christmas bells rang on.

In Decorating a Church.

In decorating a church for Christmas, bear in mind that fine effects do not depend so much on the quantity of flowers as used on the manner in which they are arranged. A few flowers and plants in the hands of a person of artistic taste, and with a good eye for color-effects, will give excellent results, while a great quantity of flowers arranged by persons deficient in these respects, will never give satisfaction. Good taste and judgment are quite as important as flowers.

OUR WIT AND HUMOR.

THE WEEKLY GRIST FROM THE FUNNY WRITERS.

The Soft Spots in Character Shown Off in a Manner to Create Laughter—The O'Toole, the Isaacs and the Johnson Families.

A Poor Investment.

Pat—Fhoy did yez go and buy that nasty Schwiss chase for, anyhow?

Bridget—Sure I only got wan pound, to be afther throvin' it.

Pat—Wan pound, is it? Sure, then we have no chase at all, for there's more than wan pound of holes in it.

A Foreign Substance.

Mrs. O'Toole—Good hivins, Pat, wot's th' matter wid yer eye?

O'Toole—Begorra, it fales a blamed soight wurrus thon thot. I got a furrin substince in thot eye this mornin'.

Mrs. O'Toole—A furrin substince?

O'Toole—Yis; Murphy basted me in th' eye wid a pace of Dutch chase.

Well Amended.

Undoubtedly one way of testifying a genuine affection is by helping a somewhat timid suitor. A member of the House of Commons was once very grateful for a graceful and witty bit of encouragement from the lady of his choice.

For a long time he had been paying the lady attention, and had taken her to attend the House until she was well acquainted with the rules.

One day he brought a bouquet of flowers, and said, "May I offer you my handful of flowers?"

She replied promptly, "I move to amend by omitting all after the word hand!"

He blushingly and happily accepted the amendment, and the motion was adopted unanimously.

Hard to Answer.

A question may look simple, and yet present great difficulties. "Am I on the road to Scramtown?" asked a lady who was making a tour of discovery from her summer home in a small New England town.

She addressed a man who was weeding a patch of ground near the road.

"You be, ma'am, he replied, surveying her with mild curiosity.

"Well, am I half way there?" she asked.

"Why, as to that, ma'am, it would seem as ef 'twould make a diff'rence where you started from."

Wanted—A Modern Manager.

Ben Johnson—You missed a big thing, Bill, when you did n't snap up Walter Raleigh as a star, after he laid his cloak under the Queen's feet.

William Shakespere—I should n't wonder, Ben; I'm so. confoundedly modest and retiring that I'm afraid my epitaph will be the only undisputed record I leave.

Nothing to be Thankful For.

Bleecker Bond—I suppose you celebrated Thanksgiving day with a great deal of zest, considering the large crops you had, Uncle Si?

Uncle Si Low—I dunno as I did. Crops was so big I can't get no kind of price for anythin'.

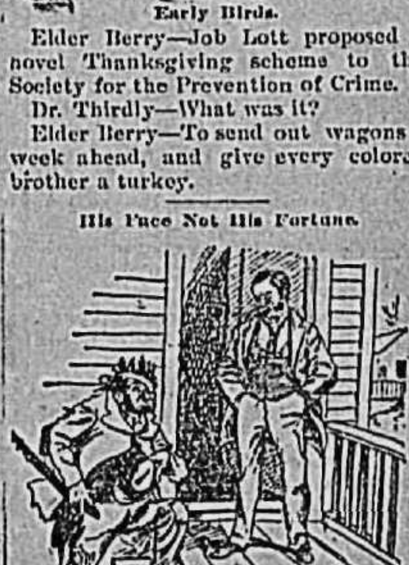
Early Birds.

Elder Berry—Job Lott proposed a novel Thanksgiving scheme to the Society for the Prevention of Crime.

Dr. Thirdly—What was it?

Elder Berry—To send out wagons a week ahead, and give every colored brother a turkey.

His Face Not His Fortune.



Paterfamilias—Want employment? Well, what can you do?

Tramp—Oh, I can do anything.

Paterfamilias—Humph!

Tramp—Don't you believe me?

Paterfamilias—Well, you certainly look as if you would not hesitate to!

The Natural Assumption.

"I wonder why Columbus thought America was a portion of Asia?"

"He saw the Indians, and naturally assumed that it was India he had discovered."

Prominent, Nevertheless.

"Do you lead your class in college?"

"No," replied the Sophomore; "but most of the faculty are after me."

The Reward of Industry.

He practiced at figures and writing, they say
When a lad, in the old village school-room;
And he's now in receipt of five dollars per day
For chalking up odds in a pool-room.

MITCHELL'S HARD TIME.

Endeavoring to Break Into an English Prison by Force.

Says a cablegram from London, England, Dec. 2: "The public is getting a great deal of grim amusement out of Charley Mitchell's unsuccessful efforts to get into jail. After being rebuffed by the magistrate at Bow street when he went to surrender himself to serve the sentence of two months at hard labor from which he had appealed, Mitchell proceeded last evening to Pentonville prison and wanted to be taken in. The Governor of the prison said that he could not receive Mitchell without the usual order of committal, and the prize fighter was compelled to go away disappointed. As the time for his hearing in the County Sessions, the court to which he appealed, approaches Mitchell is becoming more and more terrified at the prospect of a severe sentence from Sir Peter H. Edlin, chairman of the Sessions, who is noted for his unmerciful treatment of bullies and bruisers.

"It is said that Mitchell pleaded almost pathetically with the Governor of Pentonville prison to be taken into jail, saying he was willing for his part to go on the treadmill or to picking oakum or to do anything else, and would waive any formality about the warrant of committal. The Governor replied that it would give him great pleasure to accommodate Mitchell, and he might be able to do so at a later date, but that the prison rules were inflexible, and that it would be a violation of these rules to accept any one not duly committed. Mitchell remarked to-day that he had no idea it was so difficult to get into prison, and that he would not have appealed had he not supposed that he could give himself up at any time and serve his sentence."

Manganine.

The name of manganine has been given to a new alloy brought forward in Germany as a material of great resisting power, and which consists of copper, nickel and manganese. The specific resistance of this article is given as forty-two microhm centimetres; that is higher even than that of nickeline, which has hitherto passed as the best resisting metal. Another advantage of manganine is its behavior under variations of heat, the resistance, it is claimed, being affected only in a minute degree by high temperatures; on this account it is adapted to the manufacture of measuring instruments and of electrical instruments in general, those which are required to vary their resistance to as slight a degree as possible under different degrees of heat. A further interesting fact is mentioned, namely, that while other metals increase their resistance by the raising of the temperature, that of manganine is diminished.

OUR ST. LOUIS LETTER.

Unique Advertising Devices—The Boulevard Law Sustained—Street Railroad Mail Cars.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—The merchants who have large holiday stocks of goods to sell, pay handsomely for the ideas their advertising agents give them. The streets are crowded with people ready to buy, and yet bewildered by the alluring shows in the big windows of every shop, and the tradesman who holds the throng for a few minutes in front of his place is sure to make money by it. This week one merchant got an idea that set his competitors at their wits' end to compete with him. He had an enormous show window, in full view of the street, filled with his most attractive and expensive toys, mechanical and otherwise, and put two little boys in it. All day long the youngsters played with the figures, winding them up and letting them run out; shot at targets with guns and bows and lay down and looked at gorgeous picture-books. The street in front was blockaded with people, and inside the clerks were kept busy selling the things with which the lads were playing. The idea has spread over the town, and boys who like to play with toys can easily get places in every one of the shops now.

Postmaster Harlow could have chosen no better time than this, when the mails are crowded with Christmas presents, and the carriers worn out with overwork, for the extension of the street railway postal service he established some time ago.

St. Louis is the only city in the country that has such a thing, and the Postmaster has no models to help him. He started the system on a line of electric cars, running twenty miles east and west, and found that it saved a score of carriers and several hours in city deliveries. He has now decided to improve the system by adding a cross-town line to it, so that the people living in the north and south will get their mails quickly as well as those in the west and east. The other electric lines will be added to the system as fast as the government can be induced to make the necessary appropriations.

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The chilly evening flung its rain,
With peevish gust and sprinkle:
To threaten, through the glimmering pane,
The firebrand's fitful twinkle.

But when a sudden rush of air
Blew out the lighted candle,
She, looking not, was still aware
What fingers turned the handle.

How could he guess the level lid
Some secret tears dissembled?
Or that her silence proudly chid
The tones that would have trembled?

So, doubtful, angry, half ashamed,
Half pleased to have defied her,
He took the chair the cat had claimed,
And, speechless, sat beside her!

The rusty clock hand slowly creaked
From minute on to minute;
A mouse from out the shadow squeaked,
Nor stirred the quiet in it:

The flickering firelight seemed to rise
And grow to wall and rafter,
While lips that trembled once with sighs
Were trembling now with laughter:

Till, spent at last, the sleepy brand
Looked at each silent lover,
Blinked thrice, and left them hand in hand
Beneath the darkness' cover!

—Kate Putnam Osgood, in Good Housekeeping.

BY WILLIAM WESTALL.

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CHAPTER VI.

I had not gone many yards down the Rue de la Victoire when an arm was thrust within mine.

"You are departing early, Citizen Roy, and you were not looking very happy a little while ago. What has arrived?" asked the aide-de-camp.

As I had nothing to conceal, I told Lacluse all that had passed.

"It is very unfortunate," he said. "De Gex might as well have accepted this commission. We soldiers fight for France, and for France alone. Governments are an accident; they are here to-day and gone to-morrow. And the directory won't last. However, the die is cast. There is nothing more to be done. By refusing Bonaparte's offer De Gex has made an enemy who neither forgets nor forgives."

"Then De Gex is going to be shot merely for offending Bonaparte?"

"I did not say that; but you can draw your own conclusions. I am afraid you also have offended him."

"Why? How could I know that De Gex would refuse an offer which gave him his life?"

"But the general will say that you ought to have known. He may even imagine that De Gex has placed you in communication with some of his royalist friends and that you are in sympathy with them. The best thing you can do is to keep out of his way for a few days."

This was my own opinion. If I had lost his favor because De Gex had refused his offer of a commission in the

MANAGED TO FIND MY WAY.

army, what would he say when I declined his offer of a commission in the navy? And now that De Gex's fate was decided I had resolved, the next time the subject should be broached, to refuse point-blank and without any sort of compromise. This resolution was, however, compatible with a desire to put off the evil day as long as might be. I was in no hurry to return to prison, and I meant, if possible, to get out of the country before Bonaparte called on me for a decision.

Fortunately, he had not asked for my parole, either from inadvertence or because he thought to win me over to his purpose by a show of confidence.

In any case, my respite was not likely to be long, and it behooved me to act promptly. As yet, however, I could think of no feasible plan. I had no papers, and even though I might get out of Paris without them, I should certainly never reach the coast. And if I reached the coast, how was I to cross the sea? But that was not a part of the problem which called for immediate solution. It would be quite time enough to think about crossing the sea when I got there.

What between revolving plans of escape, each more impossible than the other, and thinking about De Gex and wondering whether he had been informed of his impending fate, I passed a dream-haunted and well-nigh sleepless night.

At five o'clock I got up, dressed, sailor-fashion, in the dark, and let myself quietly out of the house. It was a dismal morning; fine rain was falling, the narrow streets were slushy and slippery, the lamps all gone out, lights in the windows few and far between, and if I had not been blessed with keen vision and a good eye for locality I should have lost myself before I turned the second corner. But I managed to find my way without asking questions (which might have been dangerous), and at six o'clock saw looming before me the great Gothic gate-way of the Abbaye prison.

The people inside were already astir, and I had no difficulty in obtaining admission.

I found Carmine in his office.

"You are early," he said.

"Yes; I heard last night that poor Gex was to be shot at ten this morning."

"At ten! He is to be shot as soon as it is light. The firing-party will be here at seven."

"Seven! Good heavens! But it is impossible! There is surely some mistake. Barras told me distinctly that the execution would take place at ten."

"There is no mistake in my order. Here are the very words: 'The detenu Gex will be shot at dawn. The firing-party will be on the ground at seven o'clock.' Citizen Barras has been making a mauvaise plaisanterie at your expense. It is like him."

"The malicious scoundrel! He lied to me, then," I muttered between my teeth. "Pardieu, if I were my own master I would be even with him. Does Gex know?"

"Not yet. I was just going to inform him. Will you accompany me? Allons! there is no time to lose."

As we opened the door of his room, De Gex, who was still abed, raised himself on his elbow.

"Roy! Carmine! What is it?" he exclaimed. "But I need not ask. I can read my fate in your faces. When?—how soon?"

"At dawn; in about an hour," answered Carmine.

"And which is it—the ax or the platoon?"

"The platoon."

"Thank God! Well, I shall be ready." And with that the chevalier threw off the bedclothes and began to dress.

"I will leave you to yourselves for awhile," said Carmine, setting down the lamp. "What would you like for breakfast, Citizen Gex?"

"Breakfast! When one has only an hour to live!"

"All the same, you had better take something. It is a cold, wet morning."

"You are right. I must not tremble, even with cold. Will you kindly send coffee for two, rolls and cognac?"

"You shall have them in ten minutes; and I will come again when all is ready."

"He is a good old fellow—Carmine," observed the chevalier, when we were alone. "You are silent, my friend; you say nothing."

"Because my heart is full; and what can I say? This is terrible, De Gex—terrible for you, and for me both a grievous disappointment and a defeat. I made sure I should succeed."

"Fortunately for me, I did not. And please remember that it is my own doing. You offered me my life, and if I did not choose to accept it that is my own affair. You acted the part of a true friend. And see, I have everything ready. Here is the letter for my mother, and here a plan of the chateau, which, with the explanation I shall give you, will enable you to find the treasure, even though the building should be in ruins."

Our conversation was interrupted for a moment by the arrival of the coffee, which De Gex mixed with cognac and leisurely drank, eating at the same time a roll, and courteously inviting me to follow his example.

Breakfast over, he added a brief postscript to the letter, of which, as also the plan of the chateau, I took possession and put inside the lining of my doublet. But, even though they should fall into the hands of the enemy, nobody would be able to make aught of either of them without the clew, and that I had in a still safer place—my head.

When I told De Gex what had happened the night before, he agreed with me in thinking that Bonaparte was the instigator of his execution, Barras being merely an instrument, though doubtless a very willing one.

"You are right; it is Bonaparte's answer to my refusal of his offer," said the chevalier. "I have been mistaken in him. He is a great captain; I thought him an honest man. Those who judged him less favorably judged him more truly. If he does restore the monarchy I much fear that himself will be the monarch. Poor France!"

Shortly afterwards De Gex inquired about the time. I looked at my watch. It was a quarter to seven.

"My mother is a good woman," he said. "I was brought up in the fear of God. You will not think me weak or foolish if I say a prayer?"

My answer was to kneel by his side.

When we rose from our knees the great clock of the Abbaye was striking the hour.

De Gex put his arms around my neck and kissed me on both cheeks.

"You have been very good to me," he said. "God bless you for it! You will stay with me to the last, and tell my mother and Antoinette—"

My heart was so full that I could only press his hand and murmur an inarticulate assent; and the same moment the door opened, and Carmine, followed by two turnkeys, entered the cell, while two soldiers with fixed bayonets stood on guard without.

"I am ready. Lead on," said the chevalier.

I would have taken his arm; Carmine also offered to support him. But he kindly, yet firmly, refused us, saying that he could walk quite well alone and would rather do so.

He walked between Carmine and me, the turnkeys leading and the soldiers following.

At the foot of the staircase we were received by the officer in charge of the firing party. After giving us the military salute, which we duly acknowledged, and saying something about the unpleasantness of the duty he was called upon to perform, he ordered the prisoner to be pinioned and blindfolded.

De Gex objected, and asked as a favor that he might die free and himself give the word of command.

The officer assented, and we all went into the court-yard. De Gex doffed his coat and waistcoat, and, after shaking hands with Carmine and the turnkeys and again embracing me, walked to the end of the inclosure and turned his back to the wall. The officer ordered his men to fall in. The chevalier folded his arms and raised his head, and the next moment his voice rang out as loud and clear as if he were giving an order on the field of battle:

"Make ready! Present! Fire!"

The muskets went off, and De Gex fell on his face, riddled with bullets.

After a short pause the turnkeys raised the body tenderly—the chevalier had been a popular prisoner—and put it in a rude coffin. Within an hour it was laid in the ground.

I was going slowly away—my heart well-nigh bursting with impotent rage and bitter sorrow, for though I had known this man only three days I had come to love him as a brother—when I heard a broken voice speaking my name.

It was Julie Carmine, whom in my preoccupation I had not noticed.

"Oh, this is terrible!" she exclaimed, weeping. "I did not see it, but I heard the muskets. He was so gentil, this poor Monsieur Gex, the best man in the abbaye, they say; and yet they have killed him. Did I not speak truly when I said they never forgive returned emigrants?" And then, lowering her voice, for there were several people about, she added: "Meet me this evening at sunset in the Tuileries gardens. I have something very important to tell you. You are going? Au revoir, Citizen Roy. You must not leave Paris without calling pour prendre congé."

PRESENT! FIRE!

I protested that nothing was further from my thoughts, shook hands with her and her father, and went my way.

CHAPTER VII.

Julie had given me a rendezvous. To what end?

A Frenchman would have imagined that he had made a conquest. I was less vain. That Julie had a kindly feeling for me was likely enough; yet I could not think that she meant either to propose an elopement or make me an offer of marriage; while as for myself, I need scarcely say (the poor chevalier being hardly cold in his grave) that I was in no mood for flirting or love making.

On the other hand, why had she asked me to meet her secretly and at night, and what had she to say which she could not say equally well at her own house?

After trying a long time to make it out, I gave it up and possessed my soul in patience. A few hours would bring the reading of the riddle; and the incident was so far useful that it helped to divert my thoughts from the tragedy which I had just witnessed, and which redoubled my desire to get out of a country where such things were possible.

By the time I reached my quarters Lacluse was sitting down to second breakfast. He invited me, politely enough, to join him; but I was not in the best of tempers, and the indifference with which he heard of De Gex's execution and the dirty trick played me by Barras increased my irritation.

"A man's life counts for very little in these times," said the captain, flippantly, "and if you had seen as many men killed as I have you would not be so much affected by a single execution."

"I have seen men killed, and I have killed a few myself—in fair fight—but I never saw a man deliberately murdered before."

"Murdered! Do you know what you are saying?"

"Certainly, and I repeat it. De Gex was murdered," I answered, doggedly.

"In that case, Lieut. Forget, who commanded the firing party, is a murderer, and in making this charge you insult, in his person, the whole French army."

"I have no desire to insult either Lieut. Forget or the French army; but what I have said I have said."

"You refuse to retract, then?"

"I do."

"Perhaps you will also refuse to give satisfaction for uttering a base slander," said Lacluse, who was now white with rage.

"It is no slander; and I am ready and willing to give you any satisfaction you may desire."

"Good! But, as it is Lieut. Forget whom you have maligned, it is to him, not to me, that you will have to answer. Moreover, as you are my guest, it would not be comme il faute for me to call you out. Afterwards, if you like—"

"I shall be ready and willing to answer to you or any other man, M. le Capitaine."

"Good again, M. Roy! I can appreciate courage even in a foe, though I hope you will soon cease to be a foe. Now that we have settled this little affair, so far as we are concerned, let us finish our breakfast. Have you seen the Moniteur this morning?"

"No. Why do you ask?"

"Here is something which may interest you." Whereupon he took the paper and read a paragraph to the effect that the preparations for the invasion of England were being energetically pushed forward, and that Gen. Bonaparte would leave Paris on the following day for an inspection of the coast, and a visit to Antwerp, Dunkirk, Ambleteuse, Walcheren and Boulogne, where he would review the army of invasion.

By this time I was somewhat cooled down, and so checked the answer which rose to my lips, merely asking Lacluse whether he thought the project of invasion was serious.

"Why not? England has neither an army nor a general."

"But she has a fleet and an admiral."

"Well, we shall have to outmaneuver your admiral and destroy his fleet. Voila tout."

"I quite concede that when you have done that the rest will be easy. How soon is it likely to take place, M. le Capitaine?"

"Ma foi! I am unable to tell you, and, to say the truth, the Moniteur is in error. An expedition is being prepared, but its destination is not England."

"Where then?"

"I am not at liberty to say. But I hope you will have an important command in the fleet, which, I may inform you in confidence, will be one of the finest France ever sent to sea."

Not feeling disposed to reciprocate M. Lacluse's confidences, I parried his query by changing the subject, and he presently became so merry that I began to think he had not been in earnest, and that there would be no duel, after all.

When we had drunk our coffee and smoked our cigars the captain said he had an engagement at the war office which would occupy him for the remainder of the day, and asked me to sup with him and two or three of his comrades at the Trois Freres Provencaux.

As the time he mentioned (nine o'clock) would not interfere with my rendezvous, I accepted the invitation "with much pleasure." I was quite willing to fight; but, if it pleased him to let matters rest as they were, it was not for me to complain. I had stood to my guns, and no man can do more.

So soon as he was gone I turned in for a couple of hours, to make up my arrears of sleep, then strolled about the streets for awhile, and towards sunset betook myself to the Tuileries gardens, where I was not long in finding Mlle. Carmine, though she was so closely veiled that had she not spoken first I should have failed to recognize her.

"Let us walk on," she said, taking my arm. "You are surprised at my asking you to come here."

"Frankly, I was—just a little. All the same—"

"Listen, sir! I can stay with you only a few minutes. I wanted to tell you that you are under surveillance and in danger."

"Under surveillance?"

"Yes, watched continually by an agent secret."

"That's the fellow who has been hanging about the Rue du Bac all day. I wondered what he was after."

"No doubt; and you may be sure that either he or another has followed you hither. Capt. Lacluse is supposed to take good care of you; but since you tried so much to save that poor gentleman you have been placed under regular police surveillance, and are more than ever suspected by the directory of being in league with the royalists."

"How did you get to know all this, Julie?"

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Origin of Two Words.

To speak of a person acting in a "gingerly" fashion would certainly convey a clear enough idea, and we easily connect the word in some vague manner with the word "ginger," perhaps from the association in our minds of the sparing use made of that condiment. The word, however, is innocent of any such roundabout derivation, and comes directly from the old word "gang," to go—still preserved in the Scotch phrase, "gang that gate"—and thus originally means with cautious, faltering, or "gingerly" steps. Again, in using the word "blunderbuss" we unconsciously imply a sense of disparagement for the shooting powers of our forefathers contrasted with the precision of the modern rifle. The word itself has, however, a terrible enough meaning, and disdains all connection with "blunder." "Blunderbuss," in fact, as we have it, is a strange corruption—perhaps not altogether untinged with the sense and sound of "blunder"—of the old Dutch word "donderbuss," which can be literally translated into the English "thunder box," or "thunder barrel."—Chambers' Journal.

His Trade Was Better.

It is an old rule, and none the worse for being old, to consider the lot of those who are not so well off as ourselves when we are tempted to feel aggrieved at the orderings of Providence. Even an ignorant application of this rule will sometimes bring contentment. A famous American artist was sketching a Maine landscape, not far from Poland springs, when an old man stepped up behind him and looked over his shoulder at the canvas.

"Humph!" ejaculated the stranger, somewhat scornfully. "What do you paint them for—the market?"

"Yes," said the artist.

"Well, you must paint a lot of 'em to get a livin'! I guess you have a harder way of gettin' a livin' than I have."

The painter repressed a smile. "What is your business?" he asked.

"Oh, I peddle pond lilies," answered the old man, as he walked away.—Youth's Companion.

The Derivation of "Gingerly."

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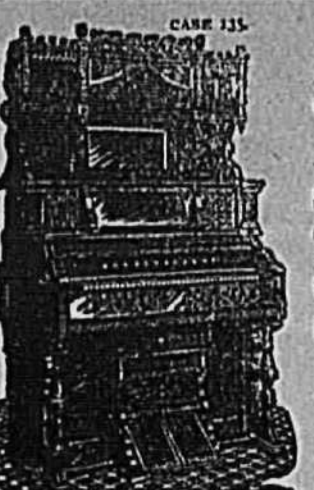
Her Petition.

"Heaven preserve us!" ejaculated Mrs. X., of Lafayette avenue, as she stepped from the street car into a puddle of mud caused by the last rain.

"Pickle us, you mean," ejaculated a crusty old man who was dumped into the same puddle.

And Mrs. X. prays no more in public.—Detroit Free Press.



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